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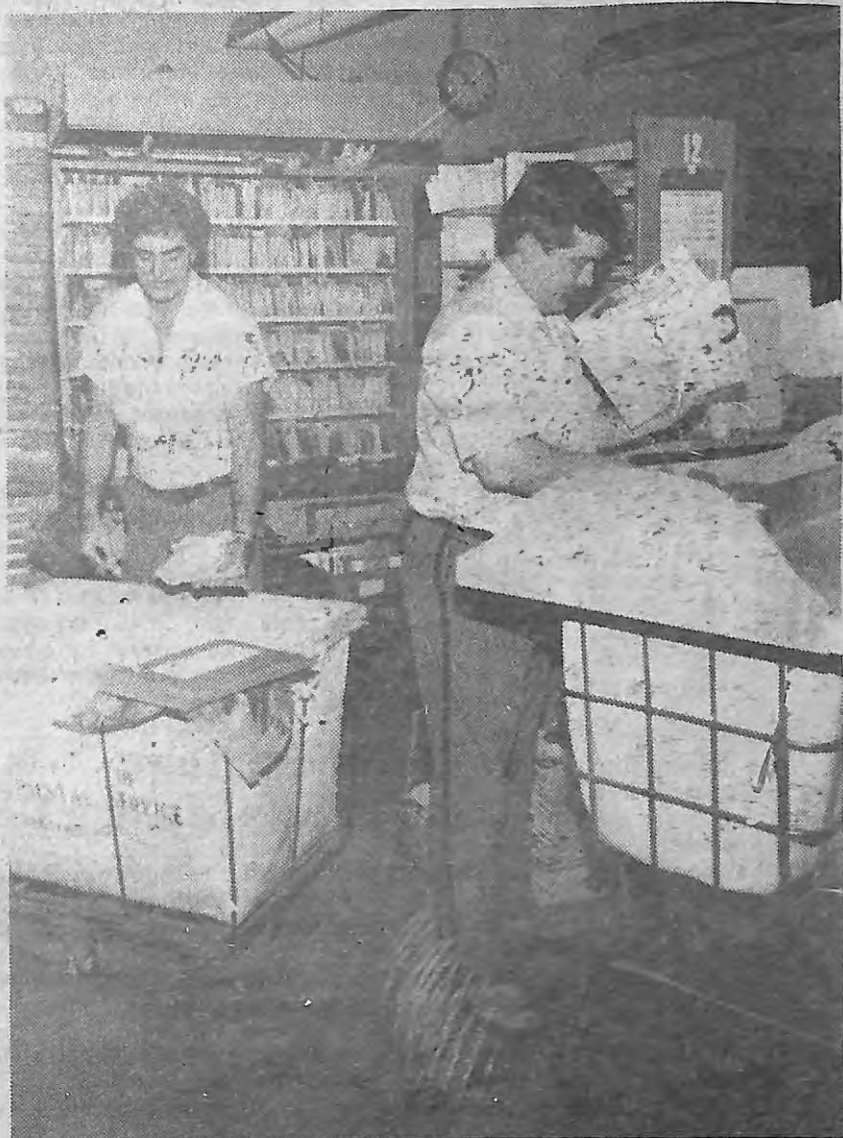
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Let's Help The Post Office



WITH THE CHRISTMAS SEASON HERE, the workload at both the Agawam and Feeding Hills Post Offices has greatly increased. Let's give the local Post Offices some help - mail early. Don't wait until the last minute. Sifting through a heavy load of holiday mail are Agawam postal workers Joe Avonti and Rick Pisano. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Town Pedestrian Award



SAFETY OFFICER AL LONGHI (left) accepts a plaque on behalf of the Town of Agawam from Francis Maloney (center), manager of the AAA Auto Club of Pioneer Valley. The award notes outstanding pedestrian safety in the community. Looking on is Police Chief Stanley J. Chmielewski. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Preview Christmas

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While Election Recount Was Fair, Procedures Must Be Tightened

To The Editor:

I am rather distressed about certain procedures that were followed/not followed concerning the recent November 3rd town election as a member of the Board of Registrars. In a letter that is appearing in *The Advertiser News* from the board in this edition, I decided that I could not, in good conscience, keep my name or endorsement on it.

This is in no way to say that my fellow board members are wrong or are in error - it's just my way of saying that in the future we must considerably tighten how the election process is handled.

On Election Night while the Board of Registrars were counting votes at Town Hall, results of the actual votes for each candidate were taken from summary sheets turned in by each precinct warden.

The actual voting results for each candidate were not cross-checked with each sheet from all machines, for all precincts.

During the recount on November 17th, however, this method was followed and several errors were discovered. In some cases, as many as 90 votes, 20 votes, 10 votes, and 16 votes, as well as others, were miscounted.

These errors were cases of transposing the actual votes on the summary sheet or a mathematical error in addition for the total votes.

I realize that I am a new member to the Board of Registrars, but I sure did learn a lot from this past election. I will insist that **no figures will be released or posted** until the members of the board cross-check each candidate's votes against the summary sheets (with the tabulated sheets off each voting machine from every precinct).

This method was used during the recount and it proved that there were many errors in the first results posted. It is a must that a cross-check must be done, before the official results are announced and posted.

I feel that the members of the Board of Registrars will certainly agree that a complete and fair system must be adhered to so that an accurate result of all voting will be correct. This in itself will defuse a lot of the bitterness and controversy surrounding what went on Election Day in Agawam.

Some of the other problems that have been brought out by several candidates that took place at the polling places should be addressed by the Town Clerk's Office. But the Board of Registrars can avoid being caught in controversy by simply following the procedure mentioned above.

I can say with a strong conviction that the recount procedure was "Fair and Square." But I think it's incumbent on the Board of Registrars to make sure accuracy is our foremost goal once the polls have closed.

Thank-you very much for listening.

Raymond E. Charest

Member, Agawam Board of Registrars

LEGAL NOTICE

BOARD OF APPEALS TOWN OF AGAWAM

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Building, Thursday, December 10, 1987, at 7:30 P.M., o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of HOWARD MURPHY who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 20, Paragraph 66 of the Zoning Ordinances to allow the construction of a single family residence on a parcel of land located in a Flood Plain area, said premises identified as Lots 12 & 13 WARREN STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals
Ronald LaRiviere
Chairman

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Board of Registrars Say Election Was Handled Properly

To The Editor:

The Agawam Board of Registrars wishes to issue the following statement concerning the November 3rd, 1987 election and recount on November 17th, 1987.

The election November 3rd was conducted properly. There were two minor problems which were handled swiftly and correctly by certified maintenance personnel. The only mistake made at the polling place was in the transcription of the vote-count from the machine papers to the summary sheets—simple mathematical errors that were honest mistakes.

The Town Clerk, as Clerk of the Board of Registrars, does not personally count the votes during an election, or a recount of an election. On November 3rd, he asked the Board of Registrars to recheck their figures before a final posting was made. We believe he would have requested this regardless of who was involved.

A recount concerning the town election was held November 17th, on the request of Anthony Saracino. It was conducted in public view with his observers, Neil Blatt and Walter Kerr, in attendance. It showed no change in his total from the November 3rd election.

Registrar Richard Rieker said, "No candidate's position was changed as a result of the recount. There were no changes in the totals in the positions contested by candidates Saracino, Caba, and Lockhart."

Registrar Mary Hunter stated, "It is understandable that workers at the polls who work from 7:30 a.m. the day of the election to 8:30 p.m. at night made some errors in transcription and addition. The recount was fair, and Saracino was there. That's really all the votes there are."

Registrar Raymond E. Charest stated, "The recount was done fair and square." He said that Saracino "had witnesses and observers there the night of the recount and seemed to be satisfied."

Town Clerk Richard M. Theroux stated, "I would like to respond to the recent comments made by Mr. Saracino in *The Advertiser News*."

1. "There were not several problems with the voting machines on election day. In Precinct 5 the problem was with the final tabulation of votes."

2. "The voting machines in Precinct 6 were verified to be at zero (0) by the seal and carbon on election day as shown in the recount. These sheets were pulled by the warden and workers on election morning."

3. "A machine in Precinct 5 was never opened at any time during the election."

4. "A machine in Precinct 7 did give us a problem with the handle. This machine was taken out of service; however, this did not affect the vote count on it."

5. "In Precinct 3 there was no machine that allowed voters to vote for ten (10) council candidates instead of eleven (11); this was verified on election day by a certified maintenance man."

"I stated at the recount that along with my office staff we checked the voting machine sheets twice. There was no change on that occasion from the November 3rd count or the recount November 17th."

"The Board of Registrars and my staff, in the past two months, have run the Town Preliminary election of 25 candidates, and the Town election of 30 candidates. My office has received only one official complaint, and that has come from Tony Saracino, who lost in the November 3rd election."

"Election day is hectic and not without its problems. However, I and the Board of Registrars believe that Election day, November 3rd, was handled properly and the recount showed that there were no changes in the final outcome of candidates elected councilors."

Board of Registrars,
Mary Hunter
Richard J. Rieker
Richard M. Theroux
Town Clerk

Melconian Upset About Insurance Instability

State Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield), reacting to Kemper Group's announcement to withdraw from the Massachusetts auto insurance market by offering to fund \$100 million to set up a mutual company, Arbella, called Kemper's decision "another notch in the belt of instability in the Massachusetts auto insurance system."

"We are in an auto insurance crisis; we have been in this crisis for over a year. Kemper has been talking informally with the division of insurance for six months to follow the lead of the three other companies that have already left the Massachusetts auto insurance market. This week, Kemper simply made public its decision," pointed out Senator Melconian.

Approval of Kemper's plan is required by the Commissioner of Insurance, Roger Singer, who has until June 30th, 1988, to render a decision to allow Kemper to transfer its auto business to this new company. Kemper, third largest auto underwriter in the Commonwealth, has 8 percent of the market, or 250,000 policyholders, 200 agents, and 1,000 employees.

"What we need is clear: legislative reform of the auto insurance system! We need to increase compulsory coverage for bodily injury to 20,000 and 40,000; remove property damage to others from compulsory coverage and make it optional; provide for competition in the optional coverage with a cap on urban areas; and reduce the Commonwealth Auto Reinsurers (CAR) deficit."

"CAR, the state's high risk pool, operates at a deficit to the tune of \$500 million annually, which means every policyholder pays \$250 of premium to subsidize this deficit."

"Something is wrong here," continued Melconian. "We have the most highly-regulated system in the country, and the only system that requires compulsory (have to be insured to drive a car), a mandatory offer (required policy coverages), and no competition. With all this regulation, companies are suffering substantial losses, auto consumers are experiencing unacceptable escalating rate increases, the frequency of accident claims is twice the national average, and Massachusetts, because of Boston, leads the nation in auto theft and arson of motor vehicles."

Senator Melconian, last July, helped to steer through the Senate legislation that would have had an immediate impact on the 1988 rates and set in motion an overhaul of the system over the next two years. It provided for a plan for competitive rating, a plan to reduce the overblown car deficit, gave accountability to insurance companies to use cost containment in the administrative handling and expenses of claims cases, and it gave accountability to the insurance division to get rates out on time.

Unfortunately, the auto insurance reform package was killed by the House Ways and Means chairman in September, she pointed out.

"I am hopeful that the house leadership will reconsider auto insurance reform before the end of this session," said Senator Melconian. "It is long overdue in this state, and I will continue to push for an auto insurance system that will work for the benefit of Western Massachusetts citizens."

Ag. Republican Town Committee Sets Meeting Dec. 5

A breakfast meeting of the Agawam Republican Town Committee will be held Saturday, December 5th, at 8:30 a.m., at the Oak Ridge Golf Club Restaurant, Feeding Hills.

Items to be discussed will be: program suggestions for 1988, election procedures, results of Initiative Petition Drive, the annual meeting of Western Massachusetts Republicans, and the National Primary Election to be held in March.

Agawam Republicans and Independents are welcome to attend.

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Agawam Obituaries

Eva Kerr

Eva F. (Stebbins) Kerr, 91, of 667 North West Street, Feeding Hills, an Army nurse during World War I, died Monday in a local nursing home.

She retired in 1968 after 20 years employment as a clerk at Johnson's Book Store in Springfield.

Born in Springfield, she moved to Feeding Hills in the early 1900's.

She was a member of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church and American Legion Post 185.

Her husband, Walter S. Kerr, died in 1957.

She leaves five grandsons, David Kerr of Brookline, Peter Kerr of Newton, Bruce Kerr of Feeding Hills, William Tunis of Charlotte, North Carolina, and Walter Tunis of Lexington, Kentucky; three granddaughters, Linda Turcotte and Susan Kerr, both of Holliston, and Judith Tunis of Miami, Florida, and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral was Thursday, December 3rd in the church with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery. Curran-Jones Funeral Home was in charge.

Memorial contributions may be made to Feeding Hills Congregational Church.

Franklin F. Wilson

Franklin F. Wilson, 67, of 49 Carey Colonial, Agawam, retired owner of the former F.F. Wilson Machine Shop, died in Veterans Administration Medical Center, Leeds. He retired in 1980.

Born in Springfield, he lived in West Springfield before moving to Agawam 14 years ago. He was a Navy veteran of World War II, serving as a chief warrant officer.

He leaves his wife, the former Louise Mowry; a son, Michael of Panama City, Florida; two daughters, Dulcy Wilson of Berkeley, California, and Lesly Drury of Buffalo, New York, and six grandchildren.

A memorial service was in First Congregational Church of West Springfield, with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, Springfield, at the convenience of the family. Dickinson-Streeter Funeral Home, Springfield, is in charge.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts, 393 Maple Street, Springfield, MA, 01105.

Rose Kalajian

Rose (Kechejian) Kalajian, 81, formerly of Meadowbrook Manor, Agawam, died in Providence Hospital, Holyoke.

Born in Armenia, she came to this country in 1921 and had lived in Weymouth before moving to Agawam in 1960. Her husband, Charles H. Kalajian, died in 1966.

She leaves a son, Harry of Holyoke; a daughter, Virginia Harne of Chicopee; a brother, Aydis of Watertown; a sister, Rachael Hallajian of Florida; four grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

The funeral was at the Curran-Jones Funeral Home, West Springfield, with burial at the convenience of the family.

Alice C. Connor

Alice (Consolati) Connor, 82, of 91 Highland Street, Feeding Hills, a retired cafeteria manager for the Agawam schools, died in Mercy Hospital, Springfield. She retired 12 years ago after 20 years' service.

Born in Windsor Locks, Connecticut, she lived in Agawam most of her life. She was a communicant of St. Anthony of Padua Church and a member of its Rosary Society. Her husband, Michael R. Connor, died in 1977.

She leaves a brother, Frank Consolati of Milton; two nieces, Vera A. Christian of West Springfield, and Carol C. Lunden of Feeding Hills, and other nieces and nephews.

The funeral was at Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home and in the church, with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the church building fund at Bridge Street, Agawam, MA, 01001.

Lucy L. Farber

Lucy L. (Forgette) Farber, 69, of 534 South West Street, Feeding Hills, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

Born in West Springfield, she had lived in Feeding Hills 32 years. She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church.

She leaves her husband, Frederick H. Farber; a son, Bernard H. of Springfield; three daughters, Christine P. King and June L. Goodchild, both of Southwick, and Loretta M. Dukette of Chesapeake, Virginia; three brothers, Roland of Florida, Earl and Dona Jr., both of Springfield; a sister, Loretta Forgette of Feeding Hills; 10 grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

The funeral was at the Curran-Jones Funeral Home, Agawam, and in the church with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

Mary E. Grenier

Mary E. (Corey) Grenier, 89, of 1083 River Road, Agawam, died in a local nursing home.

Born in New Bedford, she lived in Agawam since 1978 and was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church. Her husband, Emile Grenier, died in 1939.

She leaves two sons, Emile T. of Agawam and Francis of Melbourne, Florida; nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Another son, Paul Grenier, died in 1986.

The funeral was at Colonial Funeral Home and in St. Theresa Church with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the church building fund, 823 Main Street, Agawam, MA, 01001.

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Agawam Auxiliary Police Seeking New Recruits

The Agawam Auxiliary Police will receive applications for employment as an Auxiliary Police Officer from December 1st until December 15th.

Applicants must be able to meet all requirements as set forth by the State of Massachusetts and the Town of Agawam. Applications can be obtained at Agawam Police Headquarters, 681 Springfield Street, between 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All applications must be returned no later than December 15th.

Agawam Police Charge 16 Year-Old With Series Of Fires

Agawam Crime Prevention Officer Wayne Macey of the Agawam Police Department today released crime figures for the community for the week ending Sunday, November 29th. A total of 258 calls were answered by Agawam Police, including nine arrests.

Activity included four breaking and entering, nine arrests, 13 larcenies, 12 malicious damage, 34 nuisance persons, 36 suspicious activity, 22 alarms (all false), 18 property damage due to accidents, one personal injury due to an accident, and five Fire Department assists.

Also, 13 ambulance assists, 12 citizen assists, 12 disturbances, 11 disabled motor vehicles, one missing person (returned), 8 civil disturbances, two insecure buildings, and 41 miscellaneous calls.

On November 21st, **Michael J. Arment**, 175 Paridon Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department default warrant. Arresting officers were Sergeant Ken Grady, Robert Londers, and Peter Bertera.

On November 22nd, **Gilbert Felix Cabon**, 3 Greystone Avenue, South Hadley, was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle after suspension. Arresting officers were James Lewis and Robert Marsh.

On November 24th, **James M. Keane, Jr.**, 467 Carey Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Karen Cormier and Eric Camerlin.

On November 25th, **Anthony Kane**, 85 Walnut Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with speeding and operating after license suspension. Arresting officer was Joseph Edwards.

On November 27th, **Alva H. Allen**, 549 Russell Road, Westfield, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Ronald Brown and Richard Curry.

On November 28th, **Mark E. Frappier**, 28½ Parker Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle to endanger and refusing to stop for a uniformed police officer. Arresting officers were Sergeant Gary Nardi and Gary O'Brien.

As a result of a lengthy investigation into several arson which occurred over the past year, a 16 year-old juvenile from Feeding Hills was arrested and charged with two building fires, seven dumpster fires, and two grass fires. Investigation and subsequent arrest were the results of efforts of the entire Detective Bureau. Arrest made on November 25th for a building fire at 776 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills (Brownstone Shops) on May 8th, 1987; and a building fire on Franklin Street (D.A. Sullivan construction trailer) on September 27th, 1987.

On November 25th, a 16 year-old Agawam juvenile was arrested and charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, malicious damage over \$100 and possession of a pellet gun without an Firearms Identification card. The charges were a result of a shooting incident where a police cruiser was hit during an accident investigation on River Road. Arresting officers were Detective Al Collins, Mark Poggi, and James Luccardi.

On November 25th, a 15 year-old Agawam youth was arrested and charged with breaking and entering in the nighttime with intent to commit a felony, larceny over \$100. The break happened at the River Lodge Restaurant, 1291 River Road. Detective Al Collins and Robert Landers made the arrest.

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Agawam Crime PREVENTION

Christmas Shopping

by Officer Wayne Macey
Agawam Crime Prevention Bureau

Christmas is fast-approaching and with only three weeks left for shopping and preparation, a sea of humanity will be flooding shopping malls and parking lots.

Thoughts will be of that special gift; what size tree?; how much food?; and where are all the bargains? In order to insure a safe happy holiday season, we must also give some serious consideration to caution and common sense. People carrying large amounts of cash, and cars packed (roof-high) with gifts will be tempting targets for those who would make victims of holiday shoppers. Please enjoy the season and remember to observe the following:

1. **When bringing small children into crowded stores** and malls, always keep them in sight and when possible, push, pull, or carry them close to you.

2. **Don't carry large amounts of cash** on your person or in a pocketbook. Use charge cards for purchases and make out a single payment check to the card company for the total of your purchases. Always be sure to keep your copy and carbons and destroy them as soon as possible. If cash must be used, don't flash it for all to see.

3. **When leaving gifts unattended in your car**, be sure to place them inside a locked trunk. What can't be seen won't be stolen. Also, take care to lock your car and pocket the keys. Be alert as to where you park your car so as not to spend a long time searching for it with an armload of packages.

4. **With Christmas being a time for increased** housebreaks and larcenies, take time to properly secure your home and belongings. Take extra time out to watch a neighbor's home and property. Report anything of a suspicious nature to your Police Department.

5. **Most importantly**, be aware of where you are and who is in the area immediately around you.

While it is unfortunate (at this time of year) we must concern ourselves with crime and its possible impact on us as victims, it is important that we observe the above cautions. To be sure the spirit of Christmas is in the giving, we must be safe in the observing of a few common sense rules.

Tax Collector's Office Open Late Thursday

The Agawam Town Collector's Office will be open until 6:00 p.m., Thursday, December 3rd, to enable taxpayers to pay their first half estimated tax bill. Payments made after this date will result in a 14 percent interest charge going back to the date the bills were mailed.

Because Agawam is going through a revaluation, only the second half tax bill will be based on the new assessments and the new tax rate for this current fiscal year.

Rodolfo Altobelli, Collector/Treasurer
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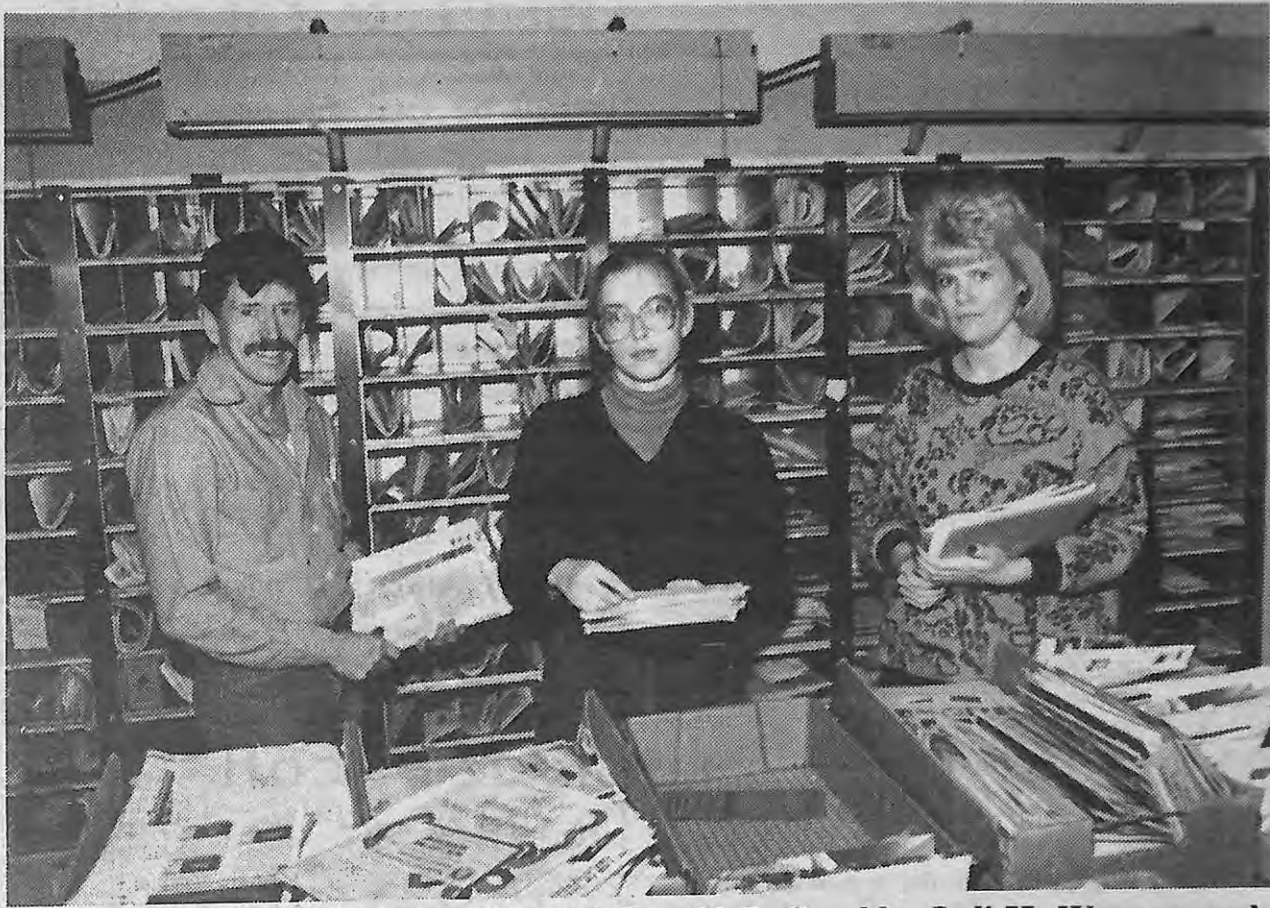


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Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



WALLY COWLES and **TODD RANCO** continue to sort mail during a busy morning at the Agawam Post Office last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

A Few Good Tips About Fireplace Safety

The crisp cool fall evenings are changing to cold winter nights and this is the signal for the beginning of fireplace season for many homeowners.

"Fireplaces are an amenity that is often high on the wanted list of homeowners," says Tofie A. George, president, of George & Green Real Estate of Agawam.

"Because fireplaces are found in many homes, we would like to offer some helpful safety advice for homeowners when they light that first fire of the season," says George, whose company is a member of RELO/Inter-City Relocation Service, the nation's oldest and largest referral network of independent real estate brokers headquartered in Chicago.

The following advice will allow homeowners to safely enjoy their fireplace throughout the winter months.

He advises homeowners to check for leaves and other obstructions possibly blocking your chimney before you light your first fire. A blocked chimney will produce a roomful of smoke and the risk of possibly starting a blaze in your home.

"There are many fireplace tools available but homeowners will find they only need a short list of tools to help in fireplace maintenance," says George. This list includes a poker, a log-lifter, a small shovel for the ashes, a woodbox for indoor storage of logs, a firescreen to battle sparks, and perhaps a bellows.

George adds, "Several homeowners have found that an electric blow-dryer is better than a bellows at supplying a draft to start a fireplace blaze."

He suggests the following procedure for building a fire: **Use dry hardwoods, plenty of kindling, and some crumpled newspapers under the grate. Place one log an inch from the back wall of the fireplace and another in front with just a slight space between them for air to flow, with kindling below. Later, when the fire is going well, a third log can be added on top of the first two.**

George adds, "Before you even strike the first match, be sure the damper is fully open. The damper is the movable metal plate or door between the hearth and chimney flue."

If the damper is even partially closed, smoke will get in your eyes. The damper should remain open for as long as the fire burns and when the fire cools down, it can be closed to prevent heat loss.

Once the logs are properly placed and the damper is fully open, use a piece of rolled up newspaper as a torch to ignite the fire. Hold the newspaper above the logs and just below the chimney flue for a few seconds to warm the air and flue entry to produce a draft, and then place under the kindling.

George adds, "Now you can sit back and enjoy your fireplace safely."

Municipal Events

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Monday, December 7th
Town Council Meeting
Agawam Public Library
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Tuesday, December 8th
School Committee Meeting
Junior High School
7:00 P.M.

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Town Hall Annex
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Donna Jean Shoemaker Weds Roger A. Guiel Of West Side

A nuptial Mass at St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church, West Springfield, at 6:00 p.m., November 13th, united in marriage Donna Jean Shoemaker and Roger Arthur Guiel. The Reverend Karl Huller, pastor of St. John's Church, Agawam, presided and read a Papal Blessing.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert J. Shoemaker of 68 Monroe Street, Agawam, and the groom is the son of Mrs. Shirley Guiel of 65 Lowell Street, West Springfield, and the late Victor Guiel.

Mrs. Katherine Watson was matron of honor for her sister, and the bridegroom's cousin, Richard Guiel, was best man. Bridesmaids were Maureen Bellucci, Maureen Dishneau, sister of the bride; Donna McTigue, Carol Wheeler, and Sheila Borsari, sister of the bridegroom.

Ushers were Joseph Balestri, Richard Borsari, Dan Borsari, Harold Tranchese, and Karl Zaorski. Flower girls were Robin Watson, niece of the bride, and Rebecca Borsari, niece of the bridegroom.

A reception followed the ceremony at the Carriage House of Storowton Tavern, West Springfield.

Winter Holiday Fest At Storowton Village

Storowton Village will present its Winter Holiday Festival Sunday, December 6th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the picturesque Village, located on the grounds of Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield.

The spirit of an old-fashioned Christmas will be in the air as visitors come in from the cold to glowing hearth fires in the Potter Mansion and Gilbert Farmhouse and a sample of hot holiday treats.

Featured inside homes and buildings will be guided tours, fireplace cooking, demonstrations by the Village blacksmith, hat maker and other busy folks, browsing in the country store and Carriage Trader gift shoppe, a 4:00 p.m. bell concert in the Meeting House, and much more.

The Village Green will be a bevy of activity with children's games, militia reenactments, strolling carolers and entertainers, and the hearty ho-ho-ho's of a 19th century Santa. Young and old alike will marvel at the theme tree displays in the Carriage Sheds, Santa's workshop in the Red Shed, and a live manger.

Don't miss the chance to tour the dressed-up Village and enjoy the festive spirit of a colonial yuletide. Admission is \$2.50 for adults; 75 cents for children ages 10-16, and free for those under 10.

For more information, call June Cook, director of Storowton Village, 787-0136.

Pvt. James Laudato Completes Airborne Course

Army Private James D. Laudato, son of James & Denise Laudato of 105 Edward Street, Agawam, has received the parachutist badge upon completion of the three-week airborne course at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia.

During the first week of training, students underwent a rigorous physical training program and received instruction in the theory of parachuting.

The second week they received practical training by jumping from 34-foot and 250-foot towers. The final week they made five straight parachute jumps, including one night jump.

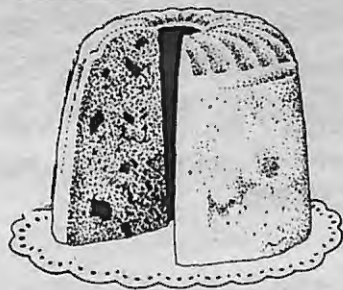
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Ellen S. Stocum Bride Of William J. Buoniconti

Ellen Sullivan Stocum of 41 Pineview Circle, Agawam, and William Joseph Buoniconti of Birnie Avenue, West Springfield, recently exchanged wedding vows in a formal ceremony in the home of the groom's parents.

Karla Tyrell attended the bride as maid of honor, with Teddy Hebert serving as best man.

Miss Tiffany Stocum and Miss Nicole Stocum attended their mother as bridesmaids, while Kyle Stocum served as head usher. Master William Buoniconti, Jr., completed the bridal party as ringbearer.

Mrs. Buoniconti is owner and president of The Music Cellar and Company of Agawam, and her husband is the distributor for V.P. Racing Fuel. He is also associated with Teddy Bear Pools and Spas.

The couple honeymooned in the Bahamas.



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Sweater Sale By Agawam Lioness Club Held



AGAWAM LIONESS CLUB PRESIDENT ALICE OLSON and member Diane Simpson display the poster that appeared around town to advertise the November 21st "Sweater & Bake Sale" at the Captain Charles Leonard House. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM LIONESS CLUB MEMBERS JANET GALLERANI and MARY ANN GOVONI hold one of the sweaters that was later sold at the club's "Sweater & Bake Sale" at the Captain Charles Leonard House November 21st. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Bethany Assembly Of God Conducts Holiday Bazaar



LUCILLE CHOQUETTE and KIMBERLY YOUNG look over a handmade hoop that was for sale at the recent Holiday Bazaar of the Bethany Assembly of God, held at the Captain Charles Leonard House. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PICTURED AT BETHANY ASSEMBLY OF GOD's Annual Holiday Bazaar are Asenath Busiere and Cookie Hill (back row) and Odette Paixao and Diane Busiere (front row). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DEBBIE BOURQUE and ROSEANNE SORCINELLI were selling wooden items at the Annual Holiday Bazaar sponsored by the Bethany Assembly of God at the Captain Charles Leonard House. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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PROFESSIONAL STORYTELLER Pat Pisano uses her guitar to entertain a group of children at the Agawam Public Library November 21st. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Library Accepting Applications For Page

The Agawam Public Library is seeking a part-time individual with good filing skills and in excellent physical condition to sort and shelve one-half of all the books, magazines, and other materials constantly returned to the library. The job also involves maintaining good order of all library shelves.

The job would be ideal for commuting college students or mothers with school aged-children, since it has flexible daily hours and starts at \$5.25 per hour with prorated benefits.

This job is critical to the smooth operation of the library because if books are not returned to the shelves, or are out of order, citizens cannot find the materials they need.

Further information and applications may be obtained from the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street. Telephone, 789-1550. Applications may be obtained and must be submitted to the Town Manager's Office, Town Hall, 36 Main Street.

The James Dassatti Family Announces Birth Of Daughter

Thanksgiving had a special meaning this year for Laura & Jim Dassatti of Feeding Hills. Laura & Jim are the proud parents of their first child, Alison Rebecca, born November 25th. She weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces, and measured 22 inches long.

Maternal parents are Alfred & Carole Lottermoser of Feeding Hills. Paternal grandparents are Gino & Corine Dassatti of West Springfield. Paternal great-grandparents are Al & Della Roberge of Westfield.

Holiday Craft Show Dec. 5th At St. Mary's, Longmeadow

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December 6th

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Afternoons

Saturday, December 5th
St. John's Church Xmas Bazaar
St. John's Parish Center
Main Street - Agawam
All Day

Monday, December 7th
Financial Aid Night
Agawam High School
7:00 P.M.

Tuesday, December 8th
Rosary Altar Society Xmas Party
Sacred Heart Parish Center
7:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 10th
Michael Burns Benefit Dinner Dance
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Garden Street - Feeding Hills
6:30 p.m.



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AHS Booster Club Holds Turkey Day Breakfast



JIM ANDERSON, MEGAN MCDADE, and KARA MCDADE are pictured at the Thanksgiving Morning Breakfast, sponsored by the Agawam High Football Booster Club at the AHS cafeteria. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM HIGH FOOTBALL BOOSTER CLUB members Bill Mezzetti (left) and John Morassi scoop-out scrambled eggs in the kitchen of the Agawam High cafeteria Thanksgiving morning. Advertiser News photo b y Jack Devine.



BILL SEAVEY and BOB BURBANK were early-risers to attend the Agawam High Football Booster Club Breakfast, Thanksgiving Morning, prior to the AHS-West Side High football game at Harmon Smith Field later that morning. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ELVITA PHELAN, 3, daughter of assistant Agawam High football coach Jim Phelan, shys away from the camera at the Thanksgiving Breakfast in the school's cafeteria. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Heritage Hall Nursing Home News



RESIDENT OF THE WEEK
Anna Shea Pratt

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Anna Shea Pratt was born in West Springfield, September 12, 1901. Her parents, Mary Carney Shea and John Shea, came from Ireland. She had three sisters and three brothers.

After graduating from West Springfield High School, Anna continued her education by enrolling in a secretarial course. After completion of the course, she obtained employment with Milton Bradley Company as a secretary.

In 1927, she married Henry J. Pratt. He was a captain with the Springfield Fire Department. Anna has three children: Richard H. of Reading, Pennsylvania, Gerald F. of Sandwich, Massachusetts, and Marcie Sullivan of Fayetteville, North Carolina. She has 12 grandchildren and six great grandchildren; also, a brother, Thomas, who resides in West Springfield, and a niece, Christine Phelps, who resides in Springfield.

Anna enjoyed archery and bowling, the latter in which she received many awards. She was a member of Our Lady of Hope Church and belonged to the Parish Guild.

Anna recently celebrated her 86th birthday with 16 family members in attendance at Heritage Hall.

Thanksgiving Tea!

On Wednesday afternoon residents of Heritage Hall attended a Thanksgiving Tea in the activity room. The room was decorated with fall decorations and the tables were adorned with Thanksgiving centerpieces.

Vera Conway of Feeding Hills entertained residents with her talents, playing a variety of music on the piano. Everyone enjoyed refreshments made by the residents at cooking class and tea was served from the Silver Tea Set.

The Bell Ringers!

Alice Moore led the cast of Bell Ringers through their repertoire. "Onward Christian Soldiers" and "Music Box Dancer" were only a few of the tunes they played. The favorite of everyone was "The Bells of St. Mary." The different tones of the bells combined together offered rare and delightful entertainment.

Heritage Hall would like to extend a thank-you to the group for sharing their talents with us.

The Bible Speaks!

On Sunday afternoons, residents of Heritage Hall had the opportunity of being visited by a talented group of singers, "The Bible Speaks."

This congregation spends Sunday afternoons visiting area nursing homes entertaining and lifting the spirits of residents. Residents enjoy listening to the variety of hymns the group sings and many even join in a sing-a-long.

Heritage Hall would like to extend a thank-you to this talented group of singers for thinking of our residents.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH Cathy Sullivan

Cathy Sullivan was chosen as "Employee of the Month" of November. She was born and raised in Scotland. Cathy graduated from the Stracathro School of Nursing and is a registered nurse in Scotland. She resides with her husband, Michael, and their three children in Westfield.

Cathy's husband, Michael, is an administrator in the data processing field. Edward, their oldest son, is currently in the Navy, and Kelly and Michael are still at home.

Cathy was employed at Springfield Hospital for a year before obtaining employment at Heritage Hall in 1971. She worked part-time as a responsible person in North Building until 1975 when she went to work on a full-time basis.

In 1985, she was promoted to Central Supply clerk and currently holds that position. Cathy has a great relationship with her fellow workers, and displays her warm personality and dedication in her daily work. She enjoys spending her spare time with her family and working crossword puzzles.

Senior Citizens Turn Our Pages For All The Hometown News!!!

Ag. Senior Center News, Activities, & Weekly Events

December 8th, Tuesday, 12:30 p.m.:

Rescheduled slide program, "America the Beautiful," by Ed Bassett and his magic camera. (Snow date, December 15th).

December 14th to 17th, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: (Four days) Mini bazaar and tag sale.

December 22nd, Tuesday: (Correction on date). Special Christmas lunch with Fats Daniels on the band stand, and a special performance by our Silver Star Players, under the direction of Lillian Doyle. Drawing for three raffles.

December 24th, Thursday, 10:30 a.m.: Brunch will be served. The Center will close at 12:00 noon.

December 25th, Friday: Christmas Day, the Center will be closed.

December 26th, Saturday: There will be no Bingo.

Bazaar News:

This year's Bazaar was a big success in spite of the chilly north winds. Of course, nothing in the line of activities is a success at the Senior Center without the faithful dedication of our staff of volunteers, and we sincerely thank each and every one of them. A big thank-you goes out to all who contributed through donations. And a special thanks to Betty Couture and her staff in the kitchen who worked on their own time to make and bake which added that "home made flavor" to our menu and bake table. Again, my sincere thanks to all, Sandra Smith, your Activities Director.

A word of thanks to the Agawam Garden Club for the beautiful Christmas wreath which adorns our entrance. A Merry Christmas to you, too.

Notice:

All classes will be on a holiday break for two weeks, beginning Monday, December 21st, and will resume Monday, January 4th, and will continue to the end of January. New registration for the second semester will be the first week of February. The second semester begins Monday, February 8th.

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Ag. Garden Club Has Season-Ending Banquet



ENJOYING THE RECENT BANQUET OF THE Agawam Garden Club at the Agawam Congregational Church are Edith Gottsche, Linda Friedrich, Denise Carmody. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM GARDEN CLUB PUBLICITY SECRETARY Judith Clini (left) and President Barbara Farrington chat with guest speaker Ronald Beckwith at the club's recent annual banquet. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

F.H. Grange Lists Calendar For December

Regular Grange meetings are on Tuesday, December 1st, at 7:30 p.m. Also, on December 15th, the Annual Christmas Party will be held at 7:00 p.m., with the Junior Grange, and all children and grandchildren of Grange members are invited. Clown Nicole Marsh will entertain.

Card parties will be held Thursday, December 3rd and 17th, starting at 7:30 p.m., with Hannah Binns in charge.

Junior Grange will meet December 14th to make Christmas cards for family. On December 29th, they will have a roller skating Christmas party.

Pomona members will attend the meeting of Pioneer Valley Pomona Grange in West Springfield, Friday, December 11th, at 7:30 p.m., for a Christmas program.

Turnverein To Host Swedish Xmas Fest

Christmas in Sweden does not start with the ho, ho, ho of Santa Claus on Christmas Eve. Rather, the season begins December 13th, the longest night of the year, with the celebration of St. Lucia and the festival of light.

Before daybreak, it is the custom of the eldest daughter to don a white gown and red sash, with a crown of green lingonberry sprigs and the glow of candles circling her hair. She awakens each member of the family with the serving of coffee, fresh saffron or cardamom buns and ginger cookies from the tray she carries.

It has, in later years, become the custom to select a young girl and her court to keep alive the St. Lucia legend in schools, hospitals, and orphanages.

The question always arises as to why a Christian martyr from Italy has become so revered as far north as Sweden. It is believed that the advent of the first Christian missionaries to Sweden told of Lucia's having lived in Sicily in the year 300 A.D., and the miraculous healing of her mother's severe illness after Lucia's Christian charity to others.

The nobelman to whom she was betrothed was angered when she gave everything to the poor, including her wedding gifts. Although jailed, tortured, and condemned to death by burning, she maintained her faith in Christ, escaping unscathed. Years later, she was declared a saint.

Coincidentally, the name Lucia is derived from the Latin word "lux," meaning light. In the olden days, during the long winter darkness, tasks involving the use of hands were accomplished with light furnished by a lighted stick in the mouth or firebrands or candles carried on the head. It is no wonder that as the legend grew it was told that, during a famine, she had been seen along Swedish shores distributing large quantities of food. It was believed that only she would have come wearing a crown of light to feed so many.

The custom of the Luciafest has been carried to the U.S. and, locally, will be repeated by a Swedish cultural society at the Springfield Turnverein, Feeding Hills, Saturday, December 12th, from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Brage-Iduna Lodge 9, Vasa Order of America, will incorporate its St. Lucia pageant with a buffet dinner, musical program, songs by the Three Crowns Children's Club, games and dances around the tree, and, in the American theme, a visit from Santa. Folk and modern dancing to the music of Kurt Bischoff will culminate the evening's entertainment.

All members and other interested persons are encouraged to make reservations, or request further information by calling 525-1592 or 739-5775, before Sunday, December 6th.



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UNICO Honors Deceased Members



AGAWAM UNICO MEMBERS Mario DeLucchi (left), president, and Paul Ferrarini, past president, assisted with the Mass for deceased club members, Friday, November 20th, at St. Anthony's Church, North Agawam. Also pictured is Joseph Sapelli, UNICO district governor (right). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM UNICO MEMBERS WALTER BALBONI (left) and Thomas Coppola (right), past president, are pictured with Father Joseph Massaro, who said the Mass for deceased members of the club, Friday, November 20th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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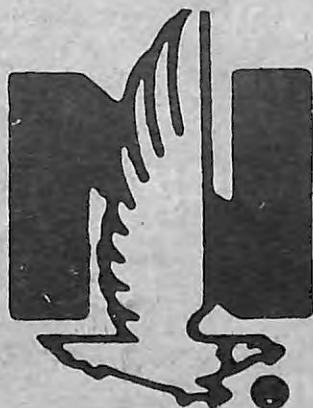
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Maple Grove Cemetery At Johnson's Corners

Part I

With the exception of the small cemetery on the southern extremity of South Westfield Street, the Maple Grove burial grounds must be the smallest plot in the Feeding Hills/Agawam region. Yet, as small as it might be, this site does carry its own historical value concerning the importance of Johnson's Corners (Southwick/South West/North West Streets).

It seems a pity that with the modernization of our streets and by-ways, we seem to have lost a close connection with our past history. Originally known as Back Street, the south/north roadways intersecting at Southwick Street have since undergone a transformation in names and configuration. This change is not necessarily conducive to the one-time beauty that these crossroads had up to a few years ago, before the state redesigned this intersection.

Since the time when these crossroads were known as Back Street, they have been known to townspeople and villagers as Johnson's Corners. RIGHTFULLY SO!

It would be most interesting to know from whence come the name Maple Grove Cemetery, since there remains little remaining evidence concerning its true identity. Speculation alone provides the only means of identifying the cemetery's name with a time long gone (when our streets were blessed with towering and shade-giving maple trees). Unfortunately, these landmarks of nature, along with their counterparts, the Elms and Chestnut trees, have been cut down and cut into cordwood (without much replacement by any of the proper authorities), by the so-called public utilities, who seem intent on "massacring" our present natural symbols of beauty.

However, this small cemetery, despite its location, still remains a rather quaint memorial to its residents, as well as to those passers-by who might wonder about its historic past. Although the site has been reasonably safe from vandalism (to-date), there has been more recent concerns for its safety via local gatherings by the younger generation who have congregated in or about its boundaries.

From time to time we have noticed young people who would use these sacred grounds as a "hang-out," as well as picnic grounds! However, in contacting the proper authorities, we have noticed a lessening of such activities. Could this be a portent of what's to come?

But the greatest fear of desecration seems to stem from the apparent lack of concern from the "powers-to-be" who, failing to realize their responsibilities, would look upon this sacred burial grounds with a too casual attitude! Perhaps these words sound drastic and most pointed in our attitude toward those out-of-town authorities who, all too often, fail to realize the sanctity of local historical landmarks.

This seems especially true in Western Massachusetts, when far too often state authorities

and so-called public utilities seem to take a godliness in their decisions to modernize our towns and villages at the expense of destroying too many local historical landmarks, man-made or natural!

As a case in point, we cite the recent "improvement" by the state to widen or improve Route 57 in the vicinity of Johnson's Corners. At that time we were told that the highway, so located, was to take away at least some portion of the Maple Grove Cemetery, if necessary.

Hearing this news, we were appalled to think that such construction seemed a travesty of sacred and historical grounds. Yet, the decision seemed imminent until one of the engineers took a second look. Had it not been for this man's intervention, who knows if this site would be worse than it is today.

If memory serves us correctly, we recall having read a statement to the effect that all cemeteries within the Commonwealth are regarded as historic landmarks. Despite this fact, it remains that any such site is and must be considered as sacred burial grounds!

In any case, the fact remained that it was just possible, at that time, that this local burial ground might have been jeopardized by people who didn't even live in our town.

Yet once the damage is done, it seems the residents must live with the decision regardless of its ultimate trespass against all that's sacred to the will of the people!

In this year of the 200th celebration of our national Constitution, "We the people," seems almost lost in recognition by the elected officials and their appointees (who claim to represent the general welfare of the public).

Better still, we cannot but wonder why the town did not purchase the parcel of land adjacent to the cemetery (to be used for proper parking facilities for the general public). Especially so, since the site is sitting on the very edge of the most dangerous and heavily trafficked highway!

"Season Of Light" At Sprfld. Science Museum

The Springfield Science Museum's Annual Holiday Planetarium Show, *Season of Light*, opened December 3rd. The program explores some possible scientific explanations for the Star of Bethlehem. Was it a nova? A comet? A conjunction of the planets? Or was it, in fact, a miracle?

The program also investigates the ancient traditions of celebration surrounding the winter solstice, many of which have given rise to modern Christmas customs.

In addition to the holiday program, the planetarium's 50th anniversary show, *A Celestial*

Celebration, can be seen at 2:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday afternoons, throughout the month.

Planetarium tickets are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children. Children under six are not admitted to the planetarium.

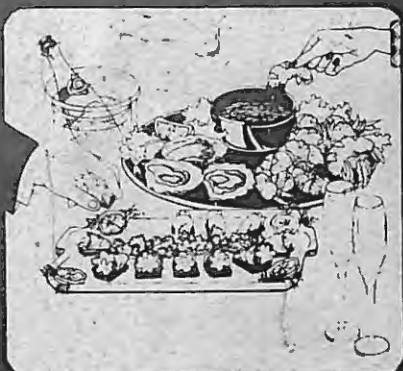
The Science Museum is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association, a private non-profit organization. The museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. Hours are Tuesday to Sunday, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free. For information, please call the museum, 733-1194.

Rosary Altar Society Sets Christmas Party December 8th

The Rosary Altar Society of Sacred Heart Church will have its Annual Christmas Party, Tuesday, December 8th, at 7:45 p.m., in the Parish Center.

Entertainment for the members will be by the Golden Bell Choir from the Agawam Congregational Church. Gifts will be exchanged and a basket for "Gifts of Love" will be the centerpiece on the refreshment table.

All women of the parish are invited to join in the festivities.



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Agawam Senior Center's Holiday Bazaar



AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER MEMBERS Edith Graham and Lena Bontempo were selling a large selection of children's toys at the Annual Agawam Senior Center Holiday Bazaar, Saturday, November 21st. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



GLADYS FRANCAZIO and OLIVE SCORZAFAVA were two of the workers at the Annual Holiday Bazaar, Saturday, November 21st, at the Agawam Senior Center. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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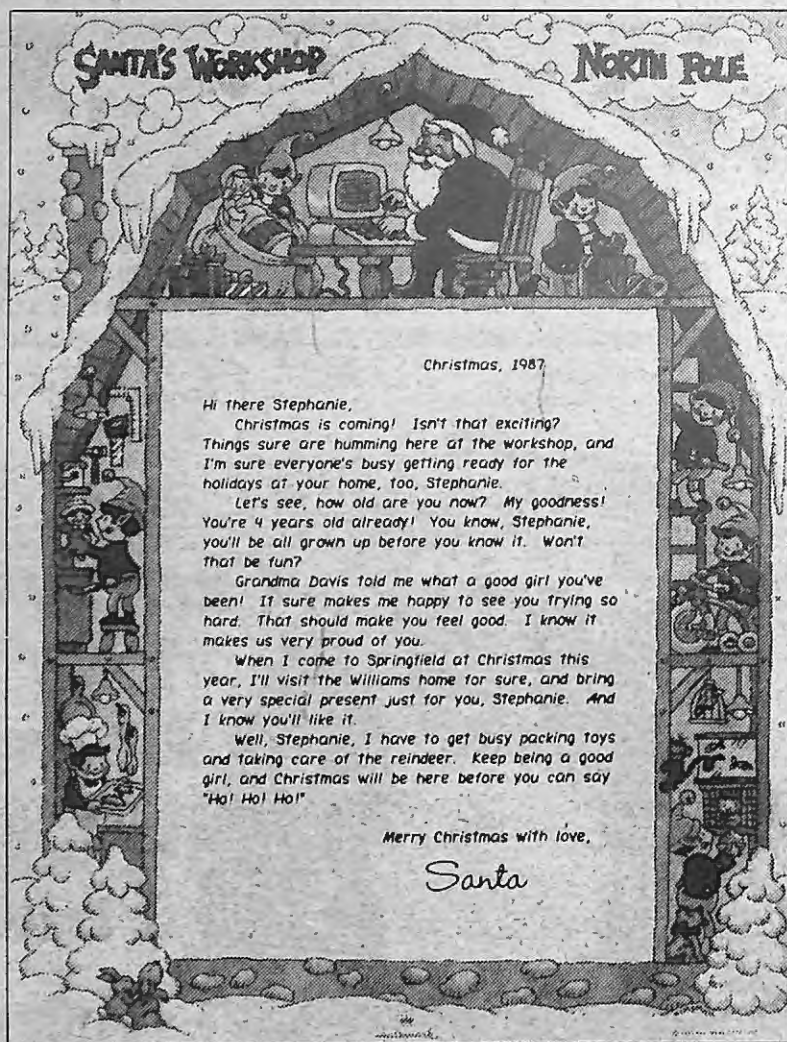
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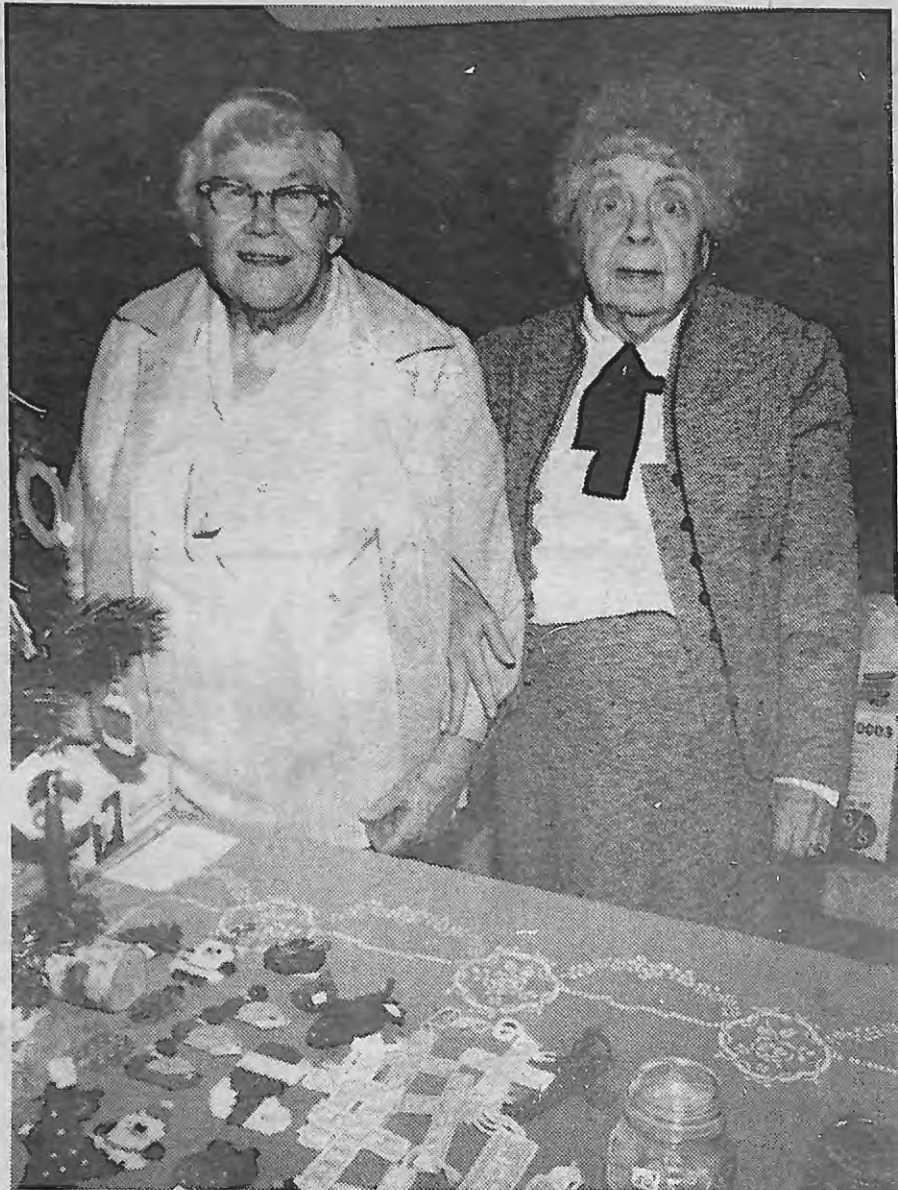
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Feeding Hills Congo Church Holds Supper



SERVING DINNERS at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church at a November 14th dinner are Kim Macey, Tracy Plante, and Nicole Marsh. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH members Naida King and Evelyn Vincelette were supervising the crafts table that was selling Christmas items during the most recent church supper, Saturday, November 14th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LARRY BRIERE and MARJORIE MILLOT are all smiles when enjoying their church supper at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, Saturday, November 14th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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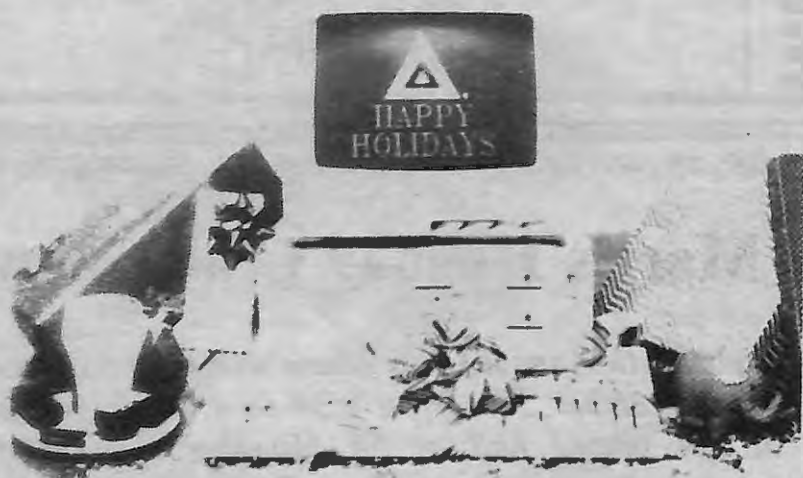
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FIRE-WISE

by Rusty Jenks
Agawam Fire Chief

Give A Gift That Saves Lives

Looking for a novel gift that says you really care? The Agawam Fire Department suggests you consider smoke detectors, fire escape ladders, and portable fire extinguishers as gifts to family and friends. In addition to providing an interesting gift, these items can save lives.

When shopping for smoke detectors, buy the battery-operated kind for protection even when power is knocked out. Include some extra batteries as well. It takes only a screwdriver and a stool to install most detectors. In fact, install the detector as part of your thoughtful gift to ensure it is put up immediately. Detectors should be placed outside sleeping areas between the bedrooms and the rest of the house. They should be located on the ceiling, away from walls, corners and air ducts.

Additional detectors should be installed in separate sleeping areas or to protect against garage and basement fires. The Fire Department can provide details on the best locations for detectors in your home.

In several instances smoke detectors given as holiday gifts have saved lives in the first few days. Even detectors still packed in their boxes under the Christmas tree have sounded in fires, saving their surprised new owners from holiday fires.

When purchasing fire extinguishers, get an ABC multipurpose type. That means it can be used on any type of small fire to put it out quickly. Make sure the gift's recipient reads the label and instructions carefully and learns how to use the extinguisher properly. It's easy to learn, but there is not time to learn once a fire has started. Fire extinguishers should be kept in homes—especially kitchens, garages, and basements—cars, boats, campers, and trailers.

Home fire escape ladders should be 15- to 20-foot long and lightweight enough to be used by a child. Too often, people are trapped in second-story rooms during a fire with no safe way to get down.

Despite movies and stories, the fact is that there will not be enough time in a fire to tie bedsheets together! Keep the ladders stacked carefully under the window or coiled under the bed. Check them from time to time to ensure they have not become tangled. You can purchase these metal ladders in most hardware stores.

In fact, why not be your own friend as well? While buying these gifts for your loved ones, pick up spares for yourself.

When buying these or similar merchandise, always look for the UL label. The Underwriters Laboratory tests items to ensure they pass certain safety tests.

Nocturnal Adoration Society To Meet December 4th

The Nocturnal Adoration Society of Greater Springfield will gather in Immaculate Conception Church, Main Street, West Springfield, Friday, December 4th, from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., Saturday morning, December 5th, to conduct and pray The Office of The Blessed Sacrament.

Father Timothy J. Hallahan opens the vigil with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and members alternate evening and morning prayers, both public and private, closing with Benediction at 6:00 a.m.

Assisting Father Hallahan are Francis B. O'Brien, chairman, Immaculate Conception membership, and George A. LaPalme, group leader.

Membership is open to all Catholic men and women to provide adorers for our Eucharistic Lord during the lonely hours of the night; to atone for the coldness and indifference to the Holy Eucharist, and a special way to atone the many sins committed at night; to unite in prayer and sacrifice to Christ's redemption in the Blessed Sacrament, with Him, through Him, and in Him, and to give both adoration and reparation to God the Father.

Prospective members may contact Father Hallahan or Francis O'Brien, 736-4071 or 734-0753, or Louis J. Gallerani, president, 739-5720.

Remember The Shriners' Kids!

Handicap

A girl I see walks down the street
She has only one, not two feet
She walks normal just as you and me
And everyone seems to agree
She walks remarkably well
Not anyone can tell
She wears a fake leg every day
Most people say, "No way,"
Until she shows her leg to you,
It seems unbelievable and untrue
How can she do everything so good?
Well, it's because she should
She is always willing to try,

And she does everything as well as you and I
How do I know, because that she,
Is actually me

I believe handicap is just a name
I do hope everyone feels the same
It isn't a description and I'll tell you why,
Because I can do anything if I try
Yvonne Breault

This poem was received recently at Shriners Hospital. It was written by 17 year-old Yvonne Breault. Yvonne resides in Preston, Connecticut, and was first admitted as a patient of the Springfield Unit at the age of three months.

The Shriners salute the children of the hospital during this special season of Light and Hope.

Kids Can Write To Santa Claus

Children in Agawam can write to Santa Claus in the North Pole via the Feeding Hills Post Office, in care of the Agawam Junior Women's Club.

Simply address your card or letter to Santa Claus, North Pole, Feeding Hills Post Office, 01030, Attention Agawam Junior Women's Club.

Members of the Junior Women's Club will help the Post Office get the kids' letters to Santa as quickly as possible. Please leave a return address on the card or letter.

Christmas is only three weeks away and Santa Claus is anxiously awaiting to hear from the kids of Agawam, so get your letter off, today!

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St. Mary's Holiday Craft Show

St. Mary's Sixth Annual Craft Show will take place on Saturday, December 5th from 9:30 to 4:30. It will be held in the school hall at 56 Hopkins Place, (off Longmeadow Street.) Over 50 crafts-people will offer wonderful holiday items as well as everyday crafts for your home and gift giving. A sampling of items to be offered; basket weaving, stenciling, folk art, polished stone crafts, Austrian crystal beads, hand-knit sweaters, dried & silk arrangements, dolls, flags, soft sculptures, wood lathe art, water colors and assorted X-Mas decorations. A "Good As New" room will also be opened with items at 25 cents and up. Plan on staying through lunch & enjoy St. Mary's homemade soup & sandwiches. Each craftsman has donated an article of his/her craft to be raffled off throughout the day. Admission is FREE.

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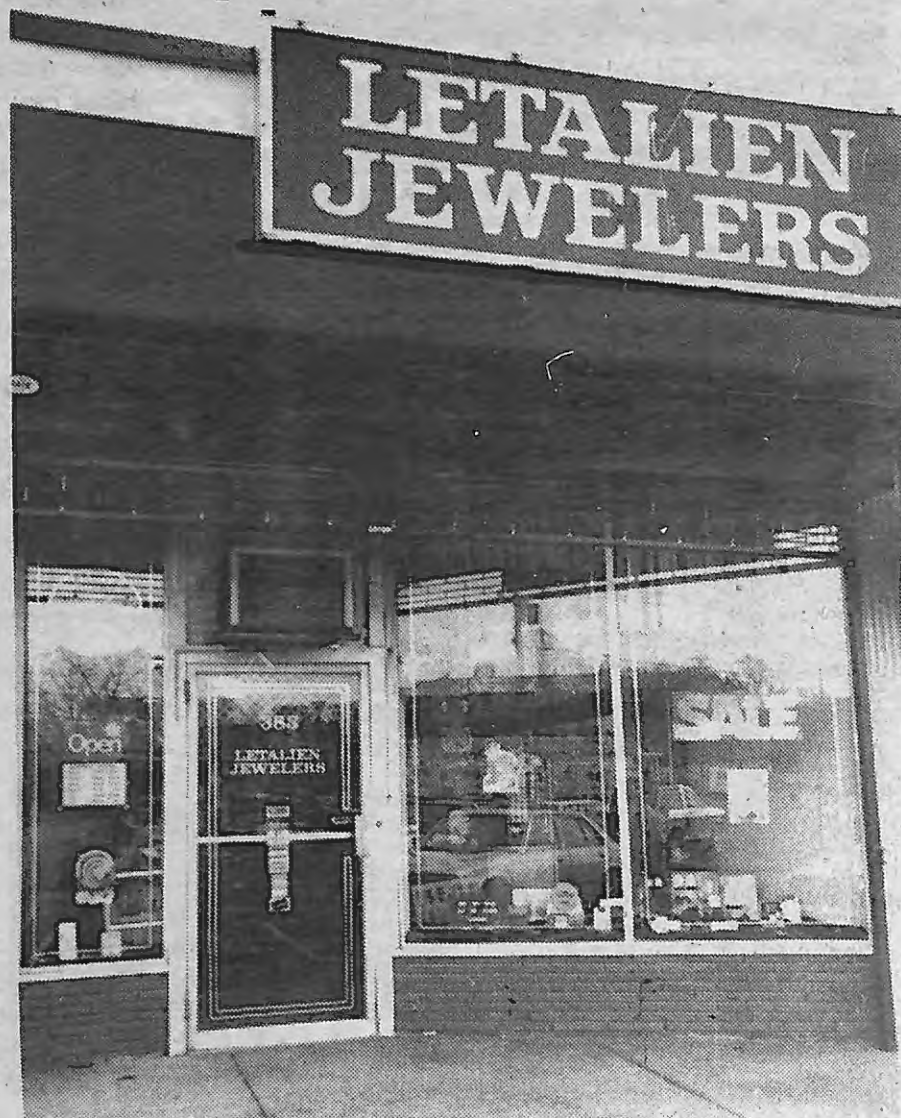
Big Ring Sale Now On At Letalien Jewelers

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LETALIEN JEWELER EMPLOYEES Colleen Wright and Preston Rescigno display the large selection of Pulsar Quartz watches, another perfect Christmas gift. Letalien is now offering 20 percent off on all 14 karat gold rings. Stop in now. Letalien's expanded holiday hours are Monday-Saturday, 9-5, and Thursday until 7:00 p.m. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LETALIEN JEWELERS has 31 years of trust built in the Agawam community. The store is located at 383 Walnut Street Extension. Stop in for the 20 percent off sale on 14 karat gold rings.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



RON HAMEL IS THE OWNER AND OPERATOR of Letalien Jewelers, 383 Walnut Street Extension, Agawam. Ron is now holding his annual sale on 14 karat gold rings for the holidays. Watch and jewelry repair are also a specialty of Letalien Jewelers.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Winner Of Santa's Sleigh



BOB MCELLIGOTT, owner of Surprise! Cards and Gifts, Southgate Shopping Plaza, presents Jackie Kelley of 81 Pineview Circle, Agawam, with the Hallmark Sleigh full of Hallmark gifts. The promotion was held at Surprise! Card and Gifts November 21st and November 22nd. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Spotlight On Business - continued...



MECHANICAL PLASTICS is a new business of Agawam, located at 71 Ramah Circle South. It has many interesting gifts for the holidays, so stop and browse. This place has it all.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Mechanical Plastics Offers Huge Variety Of Interesting Gifts

by Joan Lussier
Advertiser News Staff

Plastic. It's around us everywhere we look, from acrylic in the paint on our walls, to fibres in our carpets. Plastic has been underwater, and has gone to the moon. It is not an imported product, but rather a technical material that can give years and years of functional use.

Mechanical Plastics is a new business in Agawam, located at 71 Ramah Circle South. Skip Doeringer, a member of the Society of Engineers, and part of the team of Mechanical Plastics, describes what the company does. "We are a large-scale distributor, specializing in sales of select engineering polymers, and fabrication or machining of those products as components or products for industry with a high degree of technical expertise."

What Doeringer described is about 75 percent of the business. The other 25 percent is the "fun part." He has taken ideas and products that he has come across (from being in business of plastics for 20 years), which include plastic "stuff boxes" to artist's palettes, and made a store where people can buy unique items, or create those of their own. Doeringer says, "If you have an idea, bring it in and we'll create it."

"Stuff boxes" are boxes that can be one of 15 colors and come in sizes, small enough to hold a pill and large enough to hold cotton balls, paper clips, candy, crayons, pins and rubber bands. People can be creative; homemade cookies in a green "stuff box," with a red box, makes a warm Christmas gift; a picture frame with Grandma's favorite little girl; a cheese and cracker tray; or a cutting board that will never scratch.

There's an item to fit everyone's pocket, from a 27 cent "stuff box," to industrial trash bags, 8 cents each, or 10 for 75 cents.

Mechanical Plastics plans to begin craft classes. They will be two hour classes on a Saturday afternoon. Doeringer will teach the fundamentals of acrylics and wants the classes to be small enough so he can spend time with the students. He said, "I want people to feel comfortable working with the material, and I want them to be proud of what they create."

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SKIP DOERINGER of **Mechanical Plastics, Inc.** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

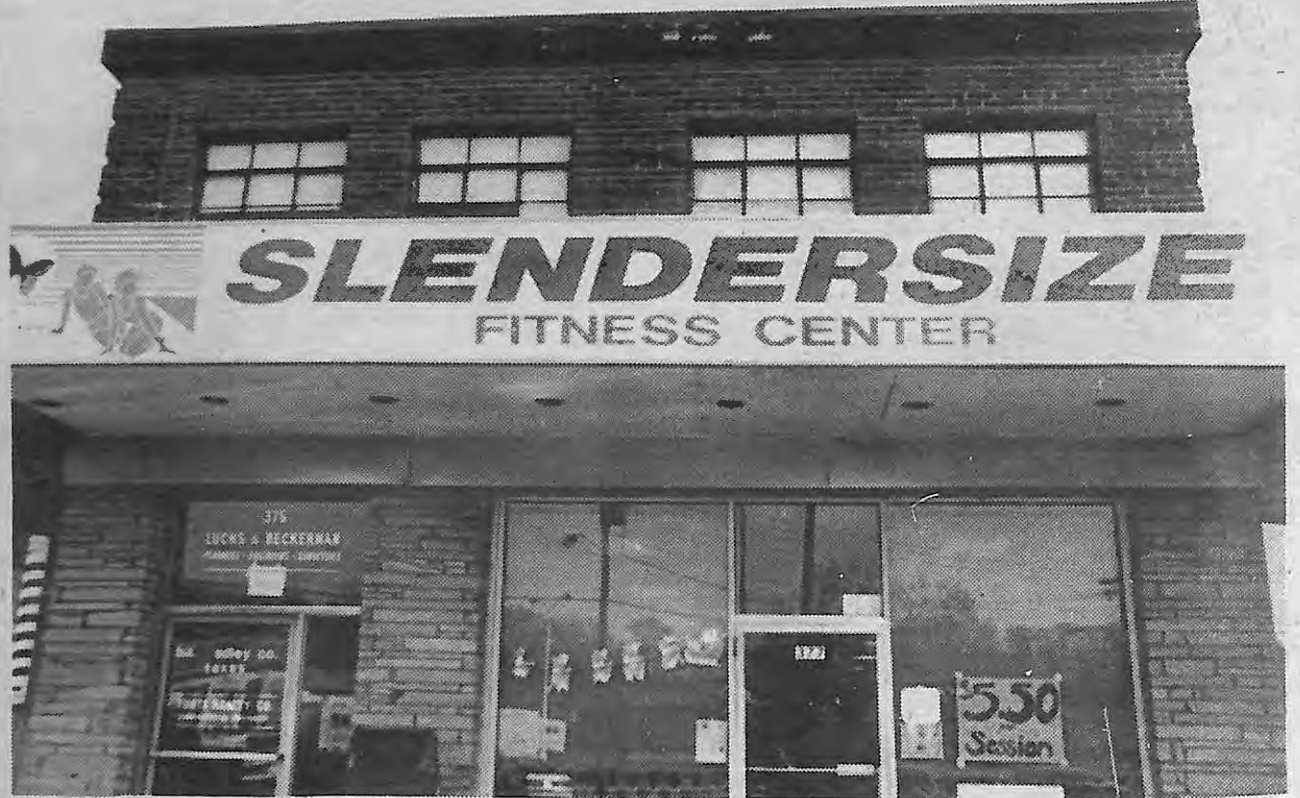
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The students will be using one of four shapes that acrylics are made into. It is from these that parts for consumers and businesses are made—sheets, rods, film, and tubes. One of the manufacturer's product is Acrylite, and another is Mir-acryl, which offers see-through mirrors, two-sided mirrors, and silk screening. Doeringer explained the future of the business to be in phases. "Right now, it is the first phase—retail and commodity. Phase two is industrial sales, while phase three is machinery and equipment parts. The last phase will be to help improve methods of manufacturing."

The benefits of plastic over metal, for example, in manufacturing, are that plastics are lighter in weight, it takes less energy to produce the parts, the parts are self lubricating, or take very little lubrication, and parts work very fast. There are also many technical aspects to the benefits.

Doeringer awaits new and fresh ideas to be generated by customers. He is an honest man, who will spend time with you, and explain as much about acrylics as you would like to know.

You can even have a cup of coffee with him, between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday- Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday.



SLENDERSIZE is located at 377 Walnut Street Extension, Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Slendersize Opens On Walnut Street Ext.

by **Joan Lussier**
Advertiser News Staff

Slendersize Fitness Center, located at 377 Walnut Street Extension, Agawam, is now open and ready to help you tone and trim your figure by means of motorized machines, low impact aerobics, or a therapeutic massage.

The slogan for the new fitness center is: "Be the best you can be," because owners Steve & Debbie Allen believe people need a program that is fun to do, but one that is also realistic.

Debbie is a health care administrator for the elderly at Heritage Hall. She became interested in the machines by trying to find an exercise program for the elderly and infirmed.

The motorized machines, built by the Dynasty Company, were originally designed for rehabilitation work. There is little effort and the machines do not perform miracles, but they are designed to tone and trim existing muscle. By having a massaging effect, the machines also increase circulation throughout the body, reduce water retention, and condition without straining.

There are six machines, each having a function to work on a particular part of the body. The first is the Stretch Table, which exercises the whole upper part of

the body, lifts the ribcage, and improves posture.

Next is the waist, tummy, and hips. The Sandbag Table works on the tummy and hips, and helps to firm the rear. Especially for the upper part of the legs and hips is the Leg Table. The Body Bender is good for the hips, legs, stretches the midriff, abdomen, waist, lower back, and overall flexibility. Last is the Vibrator Table, which moves up and down, and massages the body to relax it.

After about two weeks on the machines, low impact aerobics is then recommended. Low impact is a slow-paced exercise.

Also part of the program is two massage therapists. Mary Collins, who has done extensive work in salons, specializes in sports, Swedish, and still-point massages. Robert Lindner does macrobiotic counseling, accupressure, yoga, Swedish, and sports massage.

Crystal Donnelly is the manager during the day and teaches aerobic classes. Nancy Gorgoglione works teaching aerobics during the evening.

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Spotlight On Business - continued...**Slendersize Fitness Center Now Open**

THE STAFF OF SLENDERSIZE: Mayr Collins, Nancy Gorgoglione, and Crystal Donnelly. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Low impact aerobics are on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and cost \$3.75 per class, and massages are \$25 per hour.

The motorized machines, which you will be on for one hour, are: six visits, \$30; 10 for \$50; 12 for \$60; 15 for \$75; 20 for \$100; and 26 for \$130. A single visit is \$5.50. All visits are by appointment only.

The Slendersize Fitness Center is open Monday-Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.



AGAWAM TOWN COUNCILOR EDWARD G. BORGATTI (right), owner of E.B's Specialty Chicken on Walnut Street Extension, congratulates his new neighbors, Steven & Deborah Allen, owners of Slendersize, for their grand opening. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Welcome To Machiko's Hair & Nails



GLORIA FITZGERALD of Machiko's Hair & Nails, 324 Springfield Street, Agawam, works on customer Carolyn Letteney just before the Thanksgiving Holiday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MACHIKO'S HAIR, NAIL & BOUTIQUE is located at 324 Springfield Street, Agawam, and is open Tuesday - Friday, 9-9, and Saturday, 8-4. Machiko's also has a West Springfield shop, 1160 Springfield Street, West Springfield. PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 35 for Machiko's display advertisement. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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DEAR S.T.A.R.T.:

Since you are answering questions about skiing, I have one that has always bothered me. At the beginning of the ski season, I always find it difficult to pick up anything once I'm locked in my skis. It seems like some part of my body is stopping me from bending.

What gives?

What doesn't give?

That's the real question! It's also one of the most common complaints at the S.T.A.R.T. of the skiing season. It is basically a lack of flexibility around the back and legs.

Last time we discussed some conditioning techniques to prepare the muscles and tendons for skiing. Stretching is just as important for getting the most out of the ski season and avoiding potential injuries, especially with the camber of the ski boots that actually force the knees into a slight degree of flexion. As a result, stretching the low back, hamstrings, and gastrocs (muscles in back of calves) are extremely important in skiing.

A good way to stretch the low back is to lie on a firm surface with your knees bent comfortably. Bring one knee up to your chest as far as you can tolerate. Use both your hands to pull the knee slowly, closer to your chest. Hold that position for a 15 to 20 second count before switching to the other knee. Each side should be repeated 10 times each.

The hamstrings can be stretched comfortably while sitting on the edge of a chair. Place one leg out straight while resting the heel on the floor, slowly try to slide your hands down your leg toward your foot. You should feel a stretch behind your knee and thighs.

Lastly, stretching the muscles in your calf can best be done while leaning against a wall. Place one foot behind you with the knee straight while keeping your heel on the floor. Shift your weight on that leg until you feel the calf muscle stretch. Just as stretching the other muscles, you should hold that stretch for 15 to 20 seconds before shifting to the other muscle.

You will find a significant degree of flexibility for this skiing season if you do this stretching on a daily basis. You'll notice the difference when you easily bend over to pick up that ski pole or loose mitten. Say goodbye to all those grunts and groans.

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How's The Family????

How To Spoil Others Fun

by Dr. Warren F. Schumacher

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All it takes is one sour puss in a family to take the fun out of everything. Why is it that some people enjoy being miserable? Like the plague, **they contaminate the enthusiasm of everyone else.**

With great elation the child shows mom or dad what she has just made. The response: "Well, dear, that's fine, but we could improve it if we just straightened this a little." What a bummer!

Running home from school with the best report card ever, the child is out of breath and so enthusiastic to receive the approval of his parents. And dad says, "Really good, son. Next time let's try to get that B up to an A." Crash!

The adolescent is ecstatic and bordering on euphoria. She is flying on the wings of love. Someone comes along and takes her down with, "You're very young...you've got so much to learn...watch out..."

As we get older, we can still be subjected to the family party pooper. Thinking that you have come up with a great new idea that solves a recurring problem, you are clobbered with: "Oh, that's old hat; that won't work." Or you find a great new recipe and prepare a scrumptious dish only to be asked, "I'm on a diet, you know; how many calories are in that thing?" Then you win \$20 in the lottery and are reminded of the lost six months that you bought a ticket each week and didn't win a thing.

Or, you show your spouse the wonderful buy that you picked up. The response: "I saw that same thing downtown for \$2 less." You hesitate to plan for a vacation because you have been told over and over again that "the best laid plans often go astray."

Some people are always expecting you to do better. That goes for your choice of an apartment, or a spouse, an automobile, or dessert in a restaurant. Some people have to put you down and pour cold water on your enthusiasm.

Perhaps you recognize some of these doom and gloom patterns in your own behavior. If someone has said to you recently, "Gosh, you're a pain in

the neck; you have the knack of ruining my fun so many times"; that's a clue. Or, if you catch yourself being overly critical or using such phrases as, "just my luck" or "there's always something"; watch out! You may have the classical makings of a sour puss who is out to take the joy out of everything.

Why does it happen?
How come some people are kill-joys? Could it be that the person is miserable inside

and resents the fact that others are happy? If there is no joy in our own lives, we tend to feel sorry for ourselves; this leads to feelings of jealousy towards those who are trying to savor a little bit of happiness amidst the difficulties of daily living.

Sometimes, if we have been burned too often, we become so angry about the events of our lives that we flip and get some strange satisfaction out of being martyrs. "Poor me" and "darn the luck" become patterns so ingrained that while they squeeze personal satisfaction out of every human happening, they also provide some sort of strange reward. People who really get sucked into this pattern become incapable of accepting a compliment and eventually push away all warmth and affection.

So, what can we do about the situation? First, we'll take a quick look at the party pooper, then we'll wonder about the people in the family who have to live with this person who is spoiling everyone else's fun.

If you realize that you have been infected with the sour puss disease, sit down and try to figure out if it really is worth it. Do you want to spend the rest of your life so miserable; do you want to continue to infect the rest of the family with numbness? If you admit that there has to be a better way, ventilate your anger and get it out of your system. Go out in the woods or close the door in the bathroom and scream (warn the rest of the family first and tell them what you are trying to do).

Try saying "no" to that unreasonable request of your boss or relative; take out your frustration on the real source instead of punishing yourself or your family. If you can't become involved in the joy and enthusiasm of those around you, don't ruin their fun; bite your tongue and shut up if you just can't find anything positive to say. Rather than putting down someone else, put a lid on your own tongue.

If you realize that someone in your family is creating a gloomy mood, the next time it happens realize what is going on. Put the blame where it belongs: "Hey, don't lay this on us. We want to think positive. Enough of this gloomy gus attitude." Grab hold of any joy that you can find and don't let anyone spoil it for you.

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Lung Association To Sponsor Asthma Support Group

American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts is continuing to sponsor a support group for parents of children with asthma. This support group is coordinated by Doris Callan of Wilbraham and Virginia Borgatti of Agawam. It gives parents of children with asthma a chance to meet other parents and families who experience traumatic episodes in their lives, and to share feelings, frustrations, and ideas, as well as learning what asthma is, and how to live with it.

The next meeting, Thursday, December 17th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., will be at the Lung Health Center at the American Lung Association office, 393 Maple Street, Springfield.

The group will have a holiday party at this meeting. Please bring a light snack or baked good. Parents and children are welcome.

The meeting is free of charge, but pre-registration is desired. To register, please call the American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts, 737-3506.

Benefit Dinner-Dance For James Michael Burns Dec. 10

A benefit dinner-dance for James Michael Burns will be held at the Springfield Turnverein, Garden Street, Feeding Hills, Thursday, December 10th, at 6:30 p.m.

Jimmy was a victim in an October 8th shooting in Springfield. He was shot at point-blank range, which has left him without the use of his left arm and shoulder. With additional surgery and continuous physical therapy, Jim might regain the use of his left side. His medical expenses are rapidly mounting and this benefit will help defray these costs.

Jimmy has been a resident of Feeding Hills and resides with his family on 2 Robin Ridge Road, Feeding Hills. We would love to see you at the benefit, but if you can't attend, donations can be sent to the **James Michael Burns Fund, Westbank, 1340 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030.**

For tickets and additional information, call 786-1538. Music will be provided by KH & M Production.

Agawam Parks & Rec. Dept. 1988 Miss Agawam Pageant

After the absence of a pageant for several years, the Agawam Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor the all new "Miss Agawam" contest. The program will be directed and produced by Lori Andruss-Boyle of the Miss International Beauty Queen Association.

The event will take place on Saturday, December 5, at 7:30, in the Agawam High School Auditorium. Judges for the contest will be members of the International Beauty Queen Association.

Two divisions will be set up - Miss Teen, ages 12-14 and Miss Agawam, ages 15 to 21. All applicants must have been Agawam residents by January 1st, 1987.

Entry forms are available at the recreation office, located at the Agawam High School, and at the Agawam Junior High School office. There is a \$10 registration fee.

Deadline for returning completed applications is December 1st. For further details, call Lori Andruss-Boyle, at 789-2411.

Agawam High Planning Financial Aid Night

The Guidance Department at Agawam High School will hold a financial aid night in the high school cafeteria, Monday evening, December 7th, at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Lee Sirois, director of financial aid at American International College, will make a presentation of the FAF (financial aid form), an application for financial aid that assesses a student's financial need.

Dr. Sirois will detail the entire application form and answer questions regarding problems completing the FAF. Application forms will be available for this program. Completed applications **cannot** be mailed until after January 1st, 1988.

In addition to Dr. Sirois' program, a representative from Community Savings Bank will discuss student loans available from local banks.

It is important that the parent or guardian of a senior who plans to further his/her education attend this very informative evening. An institution of higher learning will not award any financial aid until a financial aid form has been filed, and a needs analysis is received by the college.

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NOTICE TO THE PEOPLE OF AGAWAM AND SURROUNDING AREAS

In 1968 Dr. John E. Maslar began his chiropractic practice at 100 Main Street in Agawam. The building was previously called the Agawam Professional Center. In 1985 Dr. Maslar left Agawam and his practice was operated by a fellow chiropractor. **Dr. Maslar has now resumed his practice at the same location, 100 Main Street, in Agawam.** The building is now however, called the Town Insurance Building and Dr. Maslar is located on the lower level.

As well as being an approved participant Physician with the Pioneer Valley Health Plan, Dr. Maslar is registered for accepting patients with Medicare or Medicaid. Nearly all insurance companies now cover chiropractic care.

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Preview Of Christmas: Leonard House Site Of Holiday Open House Dec. 5th & 6th

by Joan Lussier
Advertiser News Staff

"Christmas at the Captain Charles Leonard House," will be an open house from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, December 5th and Sunday, December 6th, that will feature the historic house in Agawam Center decorated for the holiday season by the Agawam Garden Club.

Judith Clini, publicity secretary for the Agawam Garden Club, tells us, "The whole idea behind the open house is to show people how they can creatively decorate their own home. All the rooms will be decorated differently, including a large Christmas tree in the Pine Room, to a room decorated for the children with old-fashioned toys, antique dolls, and ornaments.

"The open house will also display the many splendors of the Leonard House," Mrs. Clini adds.

Other activities at the open house will feature Sheda Torlai, a well-known area harpist, who will play seasonal music both afternoons.

There will be a demonstration by the Garden Club of wreath-making, bow-making, and creating colonial tree decorations.

It is important to note that this is an open house, not a craft bazaar, according to Mrs. Clini. There will be small table of seasonal, nature-related items, including wreaths, holiday dish gardens, bird feeders, potpourri, and door swags.

Members of the Captain Charles Leonard House Board of Trustees will be serving refreshments.

Leonard House Trustees cordially invite townspeople to stop in, browse, and say hello.

While these activities are inside the Leonard House,

Agawam Boy Scout Troop 82 will host a Winter Bird Feeding Station on the South Lawn of the house.

Both the Garden Club and the Trustess of the Leonard House are groups with great traditions. The Garden Club was organized in 1934. It is actually began as an off-shoot of the Agawam Women's Club. Currently, the Garden Club has 40 members. The club meets the second Tuesday of every month at the Leonard House.

Some of the club's accomplishments include maintaining an herb garden on the South Lawn of the Leonard House; providing a scholarship to a senior at Agawam High who is entering the field of environmental science; garden tours in the summer; Annual Flower Show; and a yearly display at the Western Mass. Home Show.

Anyone may join the club. There is no need to have a working knowledge of plants or flowers. If interested in joining, you are invited to call President Barbara Farrington, or contact any club member.

The Captain Charles Leonard House was constructed in 1805. It was designed and built for Captain Charles Leonard, who served during the American Revolution and was an early settler in Agawam.

When Captain Leonard had the house built, it was for business as well as his residence. He used the house as a weigh station for stage coaches that traveled from Hartford to Boston, all well as points north.

Most of the house is still in its original state, but an addition was made to the back of the house to ac-

comodate meetings. In those days, heating was done by fireplace, and the original fireplace and stones for the hearth are intact. There is a large hallway that was once used for dancing, and a servants entrance (servants were only allowed in certain areas of the house).

In 1938, Minerva Davis, a wealthy Agawam socialite, purchased the house and had it renovated. She created the Pine Room, which now holds community meetings and private receptions, as well as quarters above the Pine Room. These facilities house caretakers, Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Downey.

Mrs. Davis had the foresight to know that the town could use a community meeting house. She tried to encourage the Agawam Women's Club to operate the house, but they declined, saying that a board of trustees to oversee the house's well-being should be formed.

In 1939, an 11-member board of trustees was formed, and Mrs. Davis turned the house over to the trustees, who were instructed it must be used as a community meeting place.

One of the 11 original charter members is Elizabeth Pond, who today is still an active member of the present 15-member board of trustees.

Other members of the board include the officers - Richard Brindle, president; Winslow Stahe, vice-president; Dorothy Martin, secretary; and Dale Melanson, treasurer; members are Marilyn Curry, Arthur Fuchs, Shirley Goss, Barbara O'Connor, Richard M. Sordella, Ernest Swanson, Jeanne Webster, John Williams, and Mitchell Zielinski.

The Odd Couple Real Pleaser At StageWest

by Phil Benoit
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

When you consider famous characters in contemporary American theatre, two of the most popular have to be Felix Ungar and Oscar Madison from Neil Simon's *The Odd Couple*.

Originating on the Broadway stage in 1965 with Art Carney and Walter Matthau, the roles of Felix and Oscar went on to silver screen fame with a 1968 movie version starring Jack Lemmon and Matthau, and then found a television audience via a successful sitcom with Tony Randall and Jack Klugman during the early and mid 1970's.

And now, Felix and Oscar have returned to the stage once again, thanks to StageWest's delightful production of Simon's Tony Award-winning comedy.

The action in *The Odd Couple* takes place in the New York City apartment of noted sportswriter Oscar Madison (Paul Kandel), a happy-go-lucky slob who has been divorced for six months. However, his solitary existence soon comes to an end when he makes a most fateful decision.

On a particular Friday evening, Oscar and his card-playing buddies are surprised by the unexpected absence of one of their friends, CBS newswriter Felix Ungar (Noble Shropshire). After all, Felix has not missed their weekly poker game for two years, and punctuality happens to be one of his traits.

But, following a phone call, everyone learns the reason for Felix's no-show. His wife has informed him that she wants a divorce, and the thought of an impending end to their 12-year marriage sends him into a whirlwind of depression and anxiety.

When Felix eventually arrives at Oscar's apartment after moping around town, the guys are worried about his mental state and want to do something to try and make him feel better. Oscar, in particular, comes up with an idea which he thinks might work.

He invites Felix to be his roommate, thereby giving the soon-to-be-divorced man a place to stay and providing the already-divorced man with a constant source of companionship to enliven his lonely life. Yet, little does Oscar realize that Felix is a real pain to live with because of his many quirks and unusual behavior patterns, including a neurotic sense of perfectionism when it comes to housecleaning.

Consequently, after three weeks of living together, these two friends are at each other's throats and come to the conclusion that Oscar's invitation wasn't such a good idea after all.

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IT'S A FIGHT TO THE FINISH when Oscar Madison (Paul Kandel) and Felix Ungar (Noble Shropshire) became roommates in Neil Simon's comedy classic, "The Odd Couple," now on the StageWest Mainstage through December 27th.

"Holiday Pops" By Sprfld. Sym. Dec. 12th

Music Director Raymond Harvey of the Springfield Symphony Orchestra has announced the performance of the Springfield Symphony Orchestra in Holiday Pops concerts, Saturday, December 12th, at 8:00 p.m., and Sunday, December 13th, at 3:00 p.m.

Each performance will feature a variety of holiday favorites, including selections from Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite," Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel," and Lully's "French Baroque Suite."

Also included will be a traditional Christmas carol medley, including "Away in a Manger," "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," "Up on the Housetop," "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," "While Shepherds Watched," and "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing."

The audience will be encouraged to sing along with many of these holiday songs. Lyrics will be provided with the program books. The concert will close with "The Christmas Song," "I'll be home for Christmas," "Let it snow! Let it snow! Let it snow!," "Five Christmas Carols," and "O Holy Night."

A very special guest appearance will be made by a jolly elf arriving at Symphony Hall on a sleigh and eight tiny reindeer. This portly gentleman will appear at both performances bearing goodies.

The audience is invited backstage to the Green Room to greet Maestro Harvey immediately following the performance. Partial funding for this concert has been provided by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Massachusetts Council for the Arts and Humanities.

Tickets are available by calling PHONECHARGE, 733-2291, or in person at the Springfield Symphony Orchestra Box Office, 31 Elm Street, Suite 210, (Court Square), Springfield, MA, 01103. Box office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Hi-Lighters Square Dance Club Slates Dance December 11th

The Agawam Hi-Lighters Square Dance Club will hold a dance Friday, December 11th, at Valley Community Church, South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, at 8:00 p.m. Bob Turnbull will be the caller and Linn Case will cue the rounds.

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The Odd Couple, which runs at StageWest's S. Prestley Blake Mainstage until December 27th, is undoubtedly Simon's most renowned play. As a result, its plot and conflicts are all-too-familiar to most people, thanks to its widespread success on stage, film, and television.

Nevertheless, this comedy is timeless in terms of theme and characterization, and its appealing and entertaining qualities continue to endure to this very day. It is widely believed that no one can truly know another human being until they have actually lived with them, and *The Odd Couple* effectively examines this notion and makes the most of its comic potential.

Moreover, when you take two men with extremely diverse personalities as Oscar Madison and Felix Ungar, you know you're in for a fun time, even if you have seen their story before.

Everything in StageWest's production of *The Odd Couple* is well-executed, especially the polished direction of Marcia Milgrom Dodge and the mood-enhancing scenic design by Rick Dennis (which, when the set is at its messiest, has to be seen to be believed). However, it is the acting itself which deserves the greatest amount of credit for making this show such an enjoyable treat.

In the parts of Oscar's poker buddies, four actors turn in consistently amusing performances that are a joy to watch: Eric Hill as the ever-gruff Speed; Ben

Scranton as a milquetoast named Vinnie; Anthony Dodge in the role of Murray the cop, a good-natured guy who deals cards with annoying slowness; and Joseph S. Gullitti as Roy, who always has to complain about something.

During the second of the play's three acts, we are introduced to the hilarious Pigeon sisters, a pair of English-born women who reside in Oscar's apartment building and who accept his offer to have a dinner date with Felix and him.

Portraying the widow Gwendolyn and the divorcee Cecily, respectively, Ellen Lauren and Shelley Williams almost steal the show with their plucky personas, humorous yet credible British accents, and constant giggling.

As Felix Ungar, Shropshire is perfect. Through a skillful blend of fish-faced expressions and sprightly gestures that complement his extremely slim physique, this actor most effectively conveys Felix's sourpuss demeanor and finicky behavior, as well as the aches and pains that frequently plague his body and mostly spawn from his hypochondriac mind.

At the same time, Kandel's portrayal of Oscar Madison is equally flawless. Unlike the dumpy and bulldog-ish depictions by both Matthau and Klugman, this slight-of-build performer renders Oscar as a lively, almost elflike slob who delights in literally wearing his slovenly qualities on his sleeve. In addition, Kandel provides his role with an excitable personality which becomes easily agitated by Felix Ungar's neurotic neatness and other irritating habits.

"Festival Of Lights" At Art Museum Dec. 6

Brighten the darkest days of the year with "Luminous Legends and Spectacular Stories," a seasonal celebration of light, legend, art, and culture Sunday, December 6th, from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., at the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum, Springfield.

This "Something Every Sunday Program" will include stories, songs, and chants by Vermont storyteller Mary Batchelder, a demonstration by illustrator/author Ann Grifalconi, stories from museum art works by docent Ida Goodman, and a workshop on creating your own pop-up book illustration.

A series of free programs running from November through March and open to people of all ages, "Something Every Sunday" is a vibrant mix of activities combining performances, museum tours, demonstrations, and hands-on art-making activities. This year, "Something Every Sunday" is sponsored by Coopers and Lybrand, and the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities.

From 2:00 to 3:00 p.m., Vermont storyteller Mary Batchelder will celebrate the darkest season of the year with "Festival of Lights," a collection of stories, chants, and songs that show how different cultures use light to observe the winter holidays. Included in her repertoire of tales are a 4,000 year-old Cherokee legend, the story of Hanukkah, and a retelling of the Nativity. The audience will also be entertained with winter songs from Spain, Poland, and France.

"The Festival of Lights" includes audience participation, and the singing of chants and rounds. There will be the lighting of candles on the advent wreath, menorah, angel chimes, and a peace candle.

In Mrs. Batchelder's legends, the light signifies the coming of a brighter season, a new world after the time of darkness. When the candles are ablaze, it is a symbol to all people that the winter holidays are imminent.

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"Old Fashioned Holiday Fest" At Museums

A corps of dedicated and eager volunteers are planning the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum's part of the "Old Fashioned Holiday Festivities" at the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

The opening festivities will feature a stenciling workshop highlighting delightful gift-giving boxes for the young and young-at-heart, Saturday, December 5th, and Sunday, December 6th, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. Connecticut Valley Historical Museum will conclude its nine-day "Old Fashioned Holiday" with the annual return of its Holiday Craft Fair, Saturday, December 12th, and Sunday, December 13th, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Chairwoman of the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum's celebration, Mary Harbey, has been busily volunteering her time to coordinate all the committees of volunteers arranging the activities. Volunteer coordinator Janet Clark of Agawam has been busily contacting all the volunteers needed to make Connecticut Valley Historical Museum's part in the "Old Fashioned Holiday" a success.

Throughout this week-long celebration, visitors will see holiday arrangements and gingerbread houses displayed in galleries. The arrangements will be available for sale on a first-come, first-serve basis. The 12 gingerbread houses will be available to the 12 lucky winners of the Gingerbread House Raffle. Volunteer Ann Sturtevant is chairing the committee of volunteers organizing the holiday arrangements. She has enthusiastically reported that, "All the arrangements will be superb, really creative designs and all moderately priced between \$15 and \$50."

The participating groups donating arrangements include Feeding Hills Florist of Feeding Hills.

In addition to the display of the gingerbread houses, there will be a raffle, giving museum visitors the chance to win one of these award-winning creations. The houses will feature creations by area restaurants and their participating chefs. This unique

event is being chaired by Lila Johnsen with Jane Dziekonski serving as co-chairwoman.

The grande finale of the "Old Fashioned Holiday" at Connecticut Valley Historical Museum will be the annual Connecticut Valley Historical Museum Holiday Craft Fair, Saturday, December 12th, and Sunday, December 13th, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. This year will feature some of the finest craftspeople in the Connecticut Valley, many of whom are instructors for the museum's craft courses.

Some of the practicing artisans who have been invited to sell their handcrafted wares are Marge Kehoe, candy and confections; Jane Oswecki, wool and hand-spun yarns; Judy Schreck, theorem painting and pierced tin; Michelle Stauvland, soft sculpture and stuffed toys; Edward Wonssek, carving; Judy Kruse, handmade teddy bears; Dorothy Mendralla, dolls; John & Helen Phelan, colonial furniture and dollhouse furnishings; Denise & Larry Gould, baskets and hand-lathe woodenware; Debbie Ricklas, house flags; Irene Jensen of Grasshopper Greenery, dried arrangements; Jim Tunstall, leather goods, Laurie Stevens, pottery; Jeanne Fontaine, weaving; the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum volunteers, handmade holiday decorations.

This is one of the many events that make up the "Old Fashioned Holiday" celebration at the Springfield Library and Museums Association on the Quadrangle in downtown Springfield. For more information, please call 739-3871.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets, in downtown Springfield, and is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.



THE DAZZLING FESTIVAL OF TREES at the Museum of Fine Arts will be just one of the exhibitions featured at the Springfield Library and Museum's Olde Fashioned Holiday, December 4th - 13th; at the Quadrangle, corner of State and Chestnut Streets. Other exhibits include caroling, gingerbread houses, concerts, and much more.

Handel's Messiah at Springfield Symphony

The Springfield Symphony Orchestra and selected guest artists will perform Handel's *Messiah*, in a December 5th, 8:00 p.m. concert, in Symphony Hall, under the direction of Maestro Raymond Harvey. The performance will recognize the significant support of the Business Fund for the Arts.

George Frederic Handel composed *Messiah* in 1741, assembling the text from the Bible. Handel divided *Messiah* into three parts. Part 1 contains the prophecy and narrative of the Nativity. Part 2 tells the story of the Passion and Resurrection, reaching a climax with the mighty Hallelujah Chorus, and Part 3 deals with man's hope for resurrection.

Guest artists performing the *Messiah* will include soprano Nova Thomas, countertenor Jeffrey Gall, lyric tenor Carroll Freeman, and bass-baritone Herbert Eckhoff. Soprano Nova Thomas received her musical education at the University of North Carolina and Indiana University. She has recently joined the ranks of both the Houston Grand Opera, and the Lyric Opera of Chicago, where she was the understudy for Joan Sutherland in *Anna Bolena*.

Jeffrey Gall, America's most prominent countertenor, will be making his Metropolitan Opera debut in 1988. Gall has appeared two seasons at La

Scala, as well as with the Spoleto, Edinburgh, and Bordeaux Festivals. Gall has also recorded for Columbia, Nonesuch, and Titanic Records, and appears on the Smithsonian's recording of *Messiah*.

Carroll Freeman, lyric tenor, made his New York City debut in 1982, singing Alfredo in *La Traviata*, and then Fritz in Offenbach's *Grand Duchess of Gerolstein*. He has also performed in Handel's *Messiah* with the Minnesota Orchestra, as well as performing as soloist with Leonard Bernstein and the New York Philharmonia.

Herbert Eckhoff is a distinguished American bass-baritone who has performed in Handel's *Messiah* with

the San Antonio Symphony, the Wichita Symphony, and the Linsburg Bach Festival. Eckhoff has also been heard in the Houston Grand Opera's production of *La Traviata*, *Salome*, and as Lord Rochefort in Donizetti's *Anna Bolena*.



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PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit
Entertainment Editor

—Nuts: 3 STARS

Adapted from Tom Topor's play of the same title, this powerful film centers on a high-priced prostitute (Barbara Streisand) who has been arrested and charged with first-degree manslaughter in the brutal death of one of her clients.

However, before her case can go to court, she must undergo a competency hearing which will determine whether or not she is mentally stable to stand trial, and which could possibly commit her to a psychiatric institution for an interminable period of time.

In April of 1986, I saw the stage version of *Nuts* performed by the Encore Players, a Springfield-based community theatre group. But, though the acting and directing in that production were superb, they did not completely overshadow the play's inherent shortcomings, and these same shortcomings also manifest themselves on the silver screen.

This story takes a pretentious and superficial approach to the psychological motivations of the leading character and her relationships with both her mother and her stepfather, and makes an all-too-transparent statement on how her unhappy upbringing contributed to her decision to earn a living by way of the world's oldest profession.

Yet, in spite of its problems, *Nuts* is a riveting drama, whether on stage or on celluloid. Although they are unprofound, the sordid elements of the plot involving the major character and her mother and stepfather are nonetheless interesting to watch as they gradually unfold, and add an undeniable level of tension to the entire storyline.

At the same time, the picture is a successful tale of courtroom machinations. Regardless of a number of farfetched moments, this is a thoroughly intriguing look at a rational young woman who has killed in self-defense and wants a fair trial in order to prove just that, and who feels that a competency hearing to determine her mental state is a roadblock to her wish for justice and a violation of her rights as a human being.

The acting in *Nuts* is outstanding and is delivered by a talented and well-chosen cast of performers, including Richard Dreyfuss (*Stakeout*) as Streisand's (Yentl) quick-thinking, court-appointed attorney; Maureen Stapleton (*Reds*) in the role of her emotionally-distraught mother; Karl Malden (TV's *The Streets of San Francisco*) as Streisand's too-good-to-be-true stepfather; Eli Wallach (*Tough Guys*) as a second-rate psychiatrist; and veteran character actor James Whitmore in the part of a somber and no-nonsense judge.

Needless to say, Streisand herself deserves a great deal of praise for her portrayal of the movie's incarcerated prostitute. This demanding role is a melodramatic one which requires an actress to simultaneously convey fervent, near-crazy emotion and an outright sense of sanity, and Streisand's most skillful rendering of her character's conflicting traits will likely earn her a nomination for this year's Oscar for Best Actress.

—The Running Man: 3 STARS

In this action-packed adventure set during the early 21st century, the United States is a police state wherein the medium of television is controlled and operated by the totalitarian government. And, the most successful TV program happens to be "The Running Man," a gladiatorial game show in which convicted felons encounter extremely perilous predicaments in order to earn themselves a chance for freedom.

However, while this program usually ends with the death of its contestants, one framed convict (Arnold Schwarzenegger) is determined to survive the show's life-threatening obstacles when he is forced to be a part of its sadistic proceedings.

Based on a novella of the same title by Stephen King (under the pseudonym Richard Bachman), *The Running Man* is a generally well-crafted film. Despite the presence of a burdensome subplot dealing with underground freedom fighters versus the tyrannical authorities, this picture delivers the goods as promised and will entertain those moviegoers who enjoy adult-oriented, escapist cinema of a science-fiction nature.

On the surface, *The Running Man* is reminiscent of *Rollerball*, a first-rate sci-fi thriller from 1975 which focused on a sport that could be best described as a lethal cross between roller derby and hockey. But, while that film was a serious-minded depiction of an oppressive, futuristic culture, this flick is generally lighthearted in tone and has an affable sense of humor which is used to poke fun at both game shows and television on the whole.

What's more, under the smooth direction of Paul Michael Glaser (*Band of the Hand*), *The Running Man* is constantly exciting from beginning to end, and the story's violent game show boasts comic-bookish campiness and inventive surprises that I won't spoil for the people who have yet to see the picture.

When it comes to doing action movies such as this one, Schwarzenegger (*Predator*) has a style that's all his own. Not only does he possess a tremendous physique which is perfectly suited for rigorous combat

scenes, but he also has a down-to-earth screen presence that projects amusing and unassuming charm, and this quality enables him to come off as a most likable hero.

In addition, Schwarzenegger has gradually honed his initially limited thespian capability and has grown into a competent and self-confident actor.

Meanwhile, serving as a perfect foil to the star of *The Running Man* is Richard Dawson, the host of the once-popular and long-running game show *Family Feud*. Portraying the sinister master of ceremonies for the deadly television contest within this film, Dawson provides us with the kind of villain whom we'll love to hate, and his delightfully malicious performance is an effective self-parody of the overly suave demeanor that was his stock-in-trade during his days on *Family Feud*.

—Teen Wolf Too: 0 STARS

In a terrible 1985 comedy titled *Teen Wolf*, Michael J. Fox played Scott Howard, a high-school student who discovered that he can turn into a werewolf. Now, in *Teen Wolf Too*, Jason Bateman portrays his cousin Todd Howard, a college freshman who learns that he also possesses this lycanthropic ability.

If I had my way, I would have called this picture *Teen Wolf 2, Audience 0*. Except for the fact that Fox is nowhere to be seen in it, this unwarranted and woefully lousy excuse for a sequel is but a carbon copy of its disillustrious predecessor and, consequently, echoes its glaring flaws: stupid and juvenile humor, a preachy plot about being true to both yourself and others, and a clichéd and overly predictable athletic competition to cap off the entire mess (in the first movie, it was a high-school basketball championship; this time around, it's an intercollegiate boxing tournament).

When he starred in the original *Teen Wolf*, Fox gave a strained performance which suggested that he was embarrassed for being in such a bad film. In *Teen Wolf Too*, however, Bateman (TV's *Valerie's Family*) seems quite at ease with his worthless role and, admittedly, does a halfway decent job in it.

Therefore, it is my conclusion that Bateman is either a better actor than the *Family Ties* star was two years ago, or he is under the most erroneous delusion that he's currently appearing in a motion picture which has some cinematic value.

*THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

—*Nuts*: Rated R for profanity and highly adult themes of a sexual nature.

—*The Running Man*: Rated R for strong language and its abundance of intense and graphic violence.

—*Teen Wolf Too*: Rated PG for some mildly off-color humor.

Annual Service Of Lights At Bay Path Junior College Dec. 9

Bay Path Junior College will hold its Annual Service of Lights, Wednesday, December 9th, at 7:30 p.m., in Mills Theatre, Carr Hall, and the public is invited to attend. There is no charge for admission.

The traditional ecumenical service will feature seasonal readings by Bay Path students and messages from college chaplains, Reverend Ward Smith and Reverend Jeddie Brooks. There will also be a concert of holiday music by the College's Glee Club and Chamber Singers/Keynotes, under the direction of Charles E. Page.

The event is sponsored by the College's Interfaith Council.

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The Agawam Public Library is pleased to announce an exhibit of art work by Thomas Conlin of Feeding Hills, from Tuesday, December 1st, through January 31st.

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The public is invited to view the works in the library's gallery during regular library hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agawam Repertory Theatre To Hold Spring Auditions

The Agawam Repertory Theatre will hold auditions for its spring production of "See How They Run," Wednesday, December 9th, and Thursday, December 10th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street.

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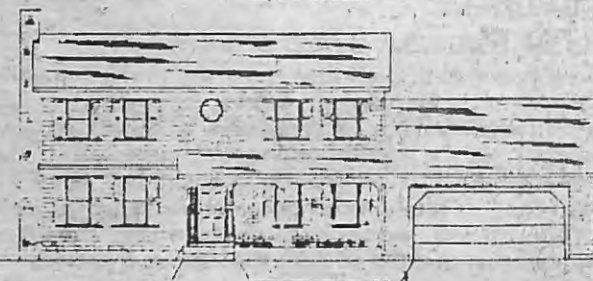
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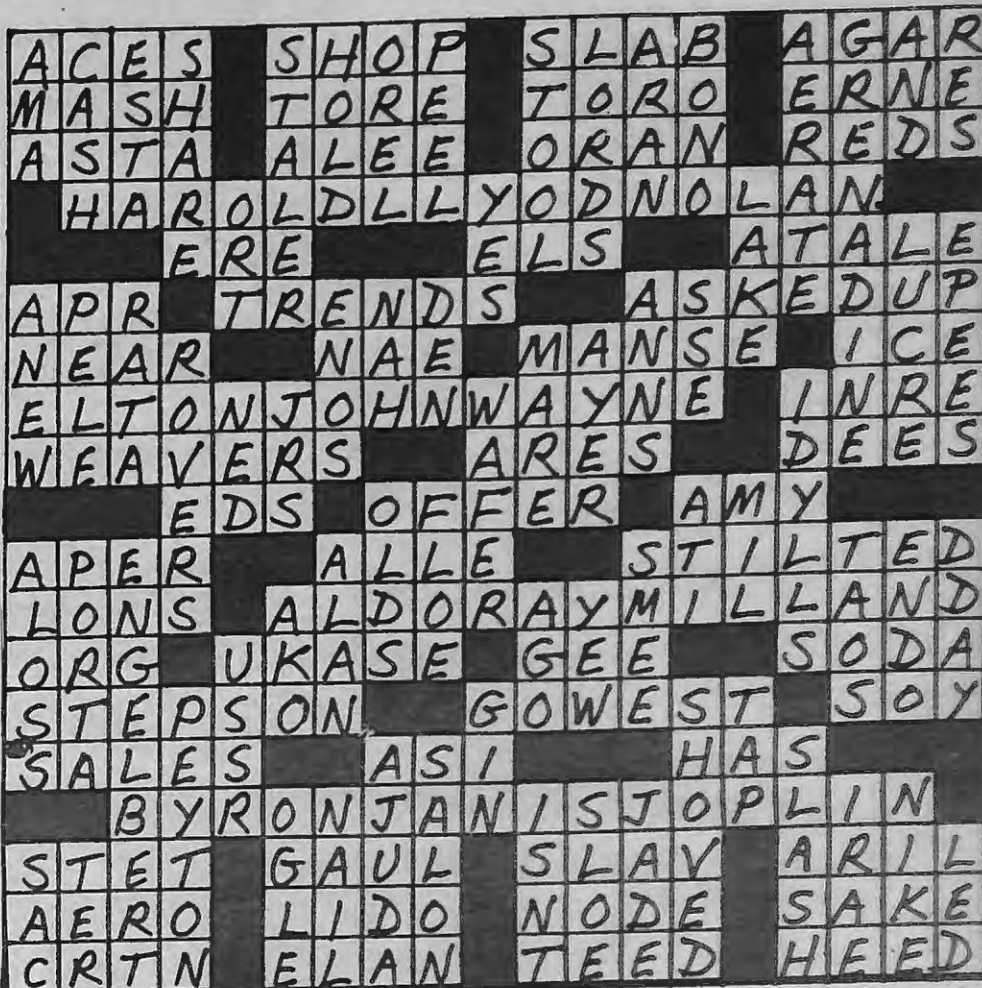
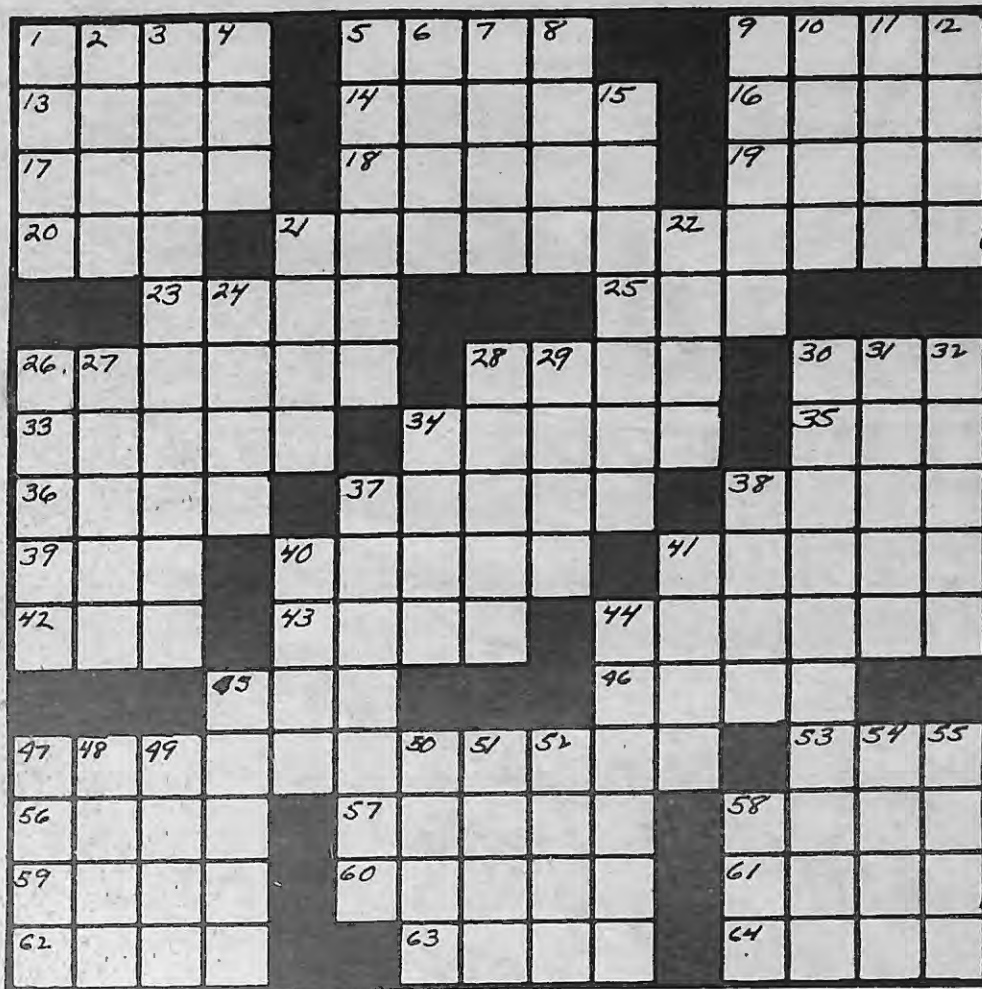
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The materials used in the dolls include bisque, highly glazed china, tinted porcelain, painted canvas, papier-mache, wood, cloth, leather, and wax. Some have kid bodies, while others have metal hands and feet. Some wear wigs of real human hair, while others have elaborately-styled, painted coiffures.

Among the rarest dolls on exhibit is a lovely papier-mache lady from Germany, (1850). She has delicate bamboo teeth and what collectors call "flirty eyes"

which do not open and close like many modern dolls, but flutter coquettishly from side to side. Another very special doll is a late 19th century Isannah Walker rag doll from Central Falls, Rhode Island. These one-of-a-kind originals represent the finest in American folk art and are highly prized by collectors.

French fashion dolls with exquisitely detailed costumes were brought to this country so American women could copy the latest styles. While preparing them for exhibit, experts Wilma Trepp and Holly Murray discovered that one has a smiling face on one side and a sleeping face on the other, an extremely rare feature.

Different cultures are represented by ethnic dolls from Mexico, Guatemala, Spain, and the Orient. Soldiers dressed in the uniforms of different countries were collected to support the Allied effort in World War I.

Little girls will immediately recognize "Lily," the rare German prototype who was used as the model for

the popular teenaged doll, "Barbie." Other familiar faces include a mint condition Shirley Temple, a Steiff Santa Claus, Uncle Sam, and "Ginny" from the early 1950's.

Many of the dolls are arranged in settings with small scale furniture and accessories. Five doll houses will also be on display, including one portraying a family celebrating Chanukah.

In addition to the dolls, the museum will feature a display of model trains. The two exhibits are part of the Springfield Library and Museums Association's Olde Fashioned Holiday Celebration. One admission fee of \$3.50 will cover entry into the holiday exhibits at the Science Museum, The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, and the Museum of Fine Arts.

Admission to the Science Museum only is \$1 and covers both the dolls and the trains. Museum hours are Tuesday through Sunday from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. For more information about the doll and train exhibits, please call the Science Museum, 733-1194.

Let's Talk Travel

by Julie Mercadante
Fugazy Travel



Puerta La Cruz, Venezuela

After a late night check-in at the Doral Beach Hotel, we were up at 7:00 a.m., for a cafeteria-style breakfast which preceded a city tour. Puerta La Cruz (port of the cross), has grown from a fishing hamlet to a city of 250,000 residents in a short 40 years.

At the moment, there are only two major hotels, but more are being built. It's a new destination for the American traveler—for which a passport is necessary. It's an oil rich country where poverty is still prevalent—visible by the shacks on the mountainsides.

Why go?? The price. A seven-night package starts at a very reasonable \$479 per person for the winter season, including round trip air from Boston, hotel, and transfers. Another reason is the friendliness of the people. They seem to be naturally hoppy. Another plus is once you're there, the cost of food and drink is very inexpensive. Lunch from the grill on the beach: a sandwich "Cubanos" (ham, park, lettuce, tomato, and cheese grinder), 33 Balivars (about \$1.15 U.S.); can of soda, 5 B's (15 cents); and beer, 12 B's (40 cents).

I didn't think there was a place left on this earth where you could get lunch for \$1.50. A far cry from the \$5.25 that the Logan airport Hilton charged for a continental breakfast. Water sports at the hotel were inexpensive compared to other destinations. Example: Parasailing which ranges anywhere from \$20 to \$45 at other resort areas was only \$10. I can't make a good evaluation of the shopping as I didn't have enough time for that "sport."

Some of the agents commented that it was great; others didn't find any great deals. You are able to bargain for prices, especially from street pedlars. The current rate of exchange is 30.5 Balivars (B's) per U.S. dollar.

Entertainment is plentiful. The hotel has entertainment in the evening and dancing. There are several discos in town that are very popular. Many optional tours are available such as trips to Caracas, Angel Falls and Margarita Island. The weather was sunny with temperature in the low 90's. The weather is good year round with the average temperature in the 80's. Rainy season is May-October.

Why not to go?? As with everything else in life—you get what you pay for. The hotels are moderate at best. If you need a deluxe hotel, this package is not for you. The beach was good, but I've seen better (at a much higher price). An early morning departure from Boston means driving in the middle of the night or staying over-night before, adding about \$150 to the cost of the package.

It's not for everyone, but if you're looking for an inexpensive package and don't mind a Boston departure, get your passport, brush up on your Spanish, and give me a call. There's nothing wrong with packing a little adventure along with your clothes when you're headed for a sunny destination in the middle of winter. Go for it!!

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Education

Dealing With Death Brought Closer To AHS Students

It was an unusual opportunity for the 11th graders in Edward Merrill's psychology class at Agawam High last week. Students took part in a week-long Death Education Program sponsored by the Colonial Funeral Home, 985 Main Street, Agawam.

The program, called "Life Awareness-Death Education," is taught by Funeral Director Frank Forastiere & the Funeral Home's grief counselor, Lila Forastiere. Colonial Funeral Home offers this program in the spring and fall each year to provide students with an opportunity to learn about their individual emotional feelings when confronted with the death of a loved one.

The five-day course afforded students the opportunity to learn about a sensitive subject, first-hand, with freedom to ask any questions that came to mind. Peter Forastiere spent a day in the classroom explaining the role of the funeral director, the value of the funeral, and the types of funeral service available. "The students were very interested in the many facets of funeral service," said Forastiere. "They had a unique opportunity to learn about a field that always has been very mysterious."

Lila Forastiere lectured on the grief process, noting

that death is a part of life and the grief that follows is a normal process that everyone goes through. She explained, "Young people today have difficulty handling grief. Our entire way of life is focused on success, pleasure, and youth. People having difficulty dealing with stress may tend to run away from the problem by turning to alcohol, drugs, and suicide."

The week-long program concluded Friday with a trip to the Colonial Funeral Home. The students toured the Chapel area, arrangement office, casket selection room, and embalming room. The embalming room seemed to bring forth most of the questions. "How long does a body last after embalming? Have you ever embalmed an AIDS patient? Is it difficult to embalm a person who has been autopsied?"

In the casket selection room students saw caskets of different materials of wood and metal. The protective qualities of the caskets were explained. "Steel, copper, and bronze can be sealed to protect against outside elements from the ground entering the casket," Forastiere said. For many people, this is important—for others, it may not be. Students were shown cremation urns and explained the cremation process.

"Most people don't realize that you have the choice of having visiting hours and religious services prior to cremation," explained Forastiere. "Instead of traveling to the cemetery for burial, we would go to the crematory for the cremation."

According to Forastiere, the funeral service and the funeral director's role and his/her responsibility to the community has changed dramatically over the years. "We have tried to provide more than just funerals to families. Funerals are for the living and we are here to help people in their emotional needs," said Forastiere.

Educational programs for adults and children, the largest library in the area on death and grief-related subjects are available to anyone in the community. The funeral home has started the first "Widow and Widowers Support Group" program in the area that is sponsored by a funeral home. "The program is called

"OPTIONS-for a brighter tomorrow," and is open to all widowed people who need emotional support now that they are alone," explained Mrs. Forastiere. An experienced grief consultant, she heads the program which is held on a monthly basis, with meetings in Agawam and Springfield.



GRIEF CONSULTANT LILA FORASTIERE of Colonial Funeral Home looks over teaching material with AHS faculty member Edward Merrill. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FUNERAL DIRECTOR PETER FORASTIERE shows AHS students Peter Vecchiarelli, Kyle Torsiello, and Michael Egan a casket during a tour of Colonial Funeral Home. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Third grade teachers Janet Wysocki & Beth Robinson have developed a unique program for their children at Phelps Elementary School. Their major subjects, math and language, are self-contained, but they have developed a joint venture in cooperating and sharing ideas and activities between the two classrooms for most other subjects.

Mrs. Wysocki said, "Why teach in a vacuum? If you have knowledgeable and interesting information, sharing ideas between the two of us makes learning for the two classes all the more fun. We try to instill ideas in the children that will be ongoing throughout their whole life. A third grade child is very receptive and enthusiastic about learning and they want to do well. The ideas they develop at this age stay with them."

Mrs. Robinson added, "We want to spread the news that learning at our school can be exciting and worthwhile. We have entered our children in the Kids Care Contest for this year. It will be to encourage more school spirit and pride of our school and community."

"A Phelps Newspaper is planned to inform students about the history of our school and what nice things are going on here. A third grade post office for the school is also part of the project to communicate friendship to one another. Third grade students want to become kindergarten teachers to experiment what it is like to be a teacher," Mrs. Robinson added.

For Open House the classes made a video where children from Mrs. Wysocki's class read a paragraph on, "How I Feel About School," and showed a "typical third grade day with bloopers and all." Mrs. Robinson's class made slides along the same idea, and both will also be shown on a special "Grandparent's Day" (coming soon).

Bernadine Polopeck, a retired teacher and grandmother, comes to read to the children each Friday from a book that has an ongoing story. "She doesn't need to use a bookmark. She simply asks the children each week where she left off and then continues with the story," said Mrs. Wysocki. "The children thoroughly enjoy her visits."

Each child in both classrooms also enjoys the use of a computer, VCR and TV because of the cooperation on the parts of their teachers.

Some of the other activities that both classes have participated in together were a science experiment on electricity and an outdoor class about nature. Mrs. Wysocki and Mrs. Robinson always plan their field trips together, too, which they are looking forward to in the spring.

For all the local news, townsfolk turn our pages every week!!!

Let's Talk

REAL ESTATE

by Ralph Rachele

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"Town Meeting" Sought For AHS

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

With the assistance of a Horace Mann grant, John Ferranti, a teacher at Agawam High School, will attempt to bring a town meeting environment to school governance, which will significantly alter the process by which decisions are made within the school.

He said, "This will be a participatory environment for students, teachers, all other faculty (including cafeteria and janitorial staff), administration, and School Committee members. It will extend the concept of democracy to all parts of the school."

Ferranti attended the Second Annual New England Conference for Democratic Schools held at Brookline High School, Tuesday, November 10th, to hear and discuss information for his project from other schools presently using the democracy governance, and from schools interested in establishing the same. Representatives from Andover, Billerica Memorial, Brighton, Boston University, and Cambridge Rindge and Latin, to name a few from Massachusetts, participated.

Brookline High has a town meeting/fairness committee constituency of 50 members. He observed the town meeting when in session to debate policies of that school. The members were seated at a table in a room filled to capacity by observers in an open meeting forum. The procedure was begun by a School Committee member who defended a point of issue in the school policy and a debate ensued. A student was the moderator and the principal had veto power.

"When voting, students will probably be more conservative than you would think. We will eliminate the 'figure head' students, the autocratic set-up at school today by electing students from the entire student body and the concept of democracy will slowly evolve," said Ferranti. "The self-interests of each student, whether it

be sports, academics, or music, will be forced to interact and interrelate for the betterment of the whole school (and community)."

"The basis of politics is to reach a consensus or collective opinion and I believe students will rise to the occasion," he added.

Last year he set up a judicial (student) system of an appeals board for student grievances on disciplinary actions regarding school policy. The student body made up a steering committee first, then an appeals board. He wrote the precept on which the appeals board could base their hearings; i.e., they could not interfere with a grievance that included 10 or more days expulsion. The idea of "due process" was that students actively participate in the democratic process.

"I began that concept with the students. This time I will present my goals to the teachers first," said Ferranti. He felt that by introducing the concepts of establishing a decision-making body to the teachers first, their morale would be increased, along with their enthusiasm about the project (and that they could be fundamental in nominating students for a good cross-section of the school).

"I see it as an uphill battle convincing teachers, administration, and students," he said. "This is something that won't happen suddenly, it will take a while to come about."

He concluded, "My goals for this new project are to change the climate in the school and prepare students for citizenship through more communication in the school and the school administration gaining wider support."

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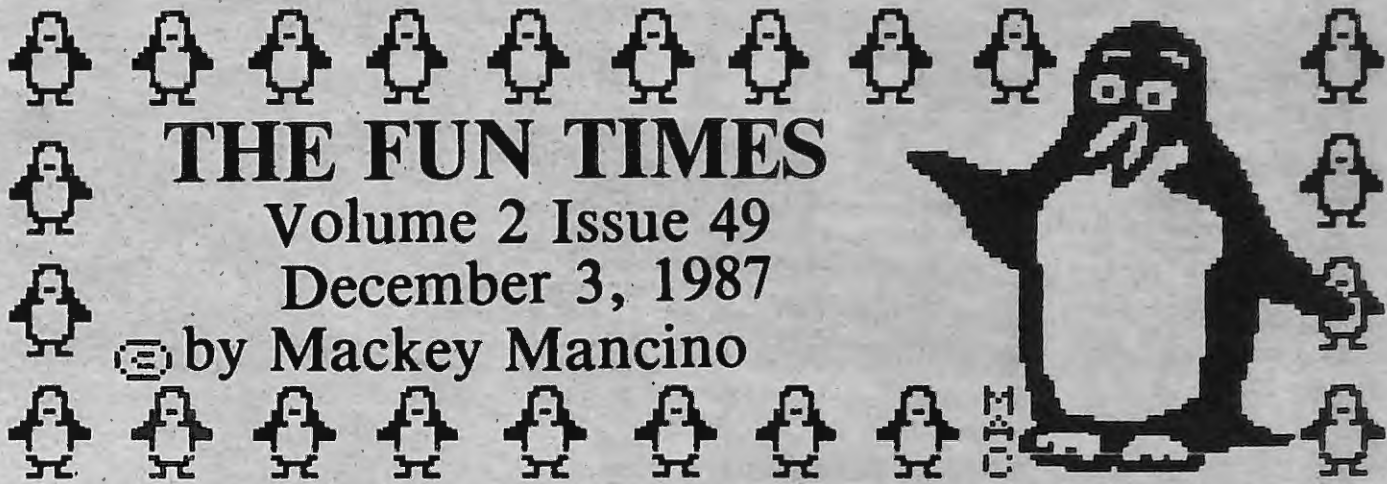
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by Mackey Mancino

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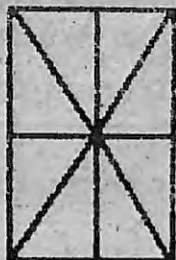
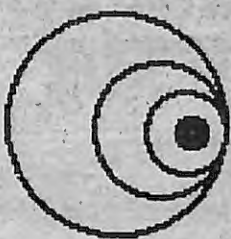
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WORD SEARCH

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→ WINDY COATS COLD
↓ HATS SNOW ICE



The Kid's Korner Kids Of Robinson Park



Thanksgiving Hot Subject With School Kids

One Thanksgiving we had turkey,
while our dog had beef jurkey
Then when the grown-ups sat to talk
I took the dog for a walk
There was a farm across the street,
and to see it was a treat,
I let my dog loose,
and found out she chased a goose.
I went into the barn of the farm,
and set the burglar alarm,
Out came the farmer, wearing a
suit of armor.
He thought I was going to steal
a turkey, and for my dog
beef jurkey.
I said I'm not a hag, I just came
to get my dog.
He said you mean this little
hog is your dog.
I said yes, I hope I didn't
cause any stress,
then I grabbed my dog, or the
hog,
and went home to say a prayer,
and have the turkey rare.

by Cara-Ann Fattini

THE FIRST GRADE CLASS OF SUSAN AVONDO at Robinson Park School participated in our Thanksgiving Kid's Korner. Front row, from left - Thomas Shibley, Rebecca Brames, Nikita Reshamwala, Michael Burns, Holly Moren, and Donald Remers. Middle row - Shawn Powers, Mario Santillo, Heather Guest, Shawn Berube, Julia Knapik, and Jillian Mitchell. Back row - Conor Martin, Cassie Sutter, Eric Richards, Philip Plumadore, Paul LaBarre, Don Berthiaume, and Mathieu Perry. Teacher Susan Avondo is in back. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

The turkeys last stand

One day I was walking
along and I saw Sam the
chopper man.

He was driving a wagon
and had pots a dragging.

He cut off my wing and it
started to sting.

He cut off my tail and I
started to look pale.

Then along came Fred and
he cut off my head.

Thanks
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apple pie
nutmeg
kidney bean
sauce
grapes
ice-cream
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nuts
garlic

by Jamie Lynn Sternowski

by Brian Kiddy

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KID'S KORNER - continued...



THE CLASS OF FRED MONTESI at Granger Elementary School participated in our most recent Kid's Korner about Thanksgiving. Pictured in top left-corner is Lois Carra, practice teacher. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

THANKSGIVING - From Page 40...

I am a Thanksgiving turkey...

One day I went to my outside penhouse there were two hunting men. I went to one of them and made one of them run after me. I made them go under the fence. Over the roof I made them go under a cow until they got tired. After they got their breath they started to play with me again. Then one took out their rifle and shot me. Then they took me to their home and washed me off. Then they brought me to the store to sell me. But! Then someone come and bought me. Then they brought me to their home, and put me in their freezer, and froze me. On November 25th they took me out to thaw me. That took a few hours. Then on November 26th lots of people came over. That's when they put me in the stove and started to cook me after about an hour they ate me. That was the end of me.

by Kristi B.

Thanksgiving
Loving time
Corn, squash, salad
Turkey, stuffing, pie, cranberry
Thanksgiving

by Adam David

Turkey
Hungry
Apple pie
Noisy
Kind
Squash
Grateful
Indians
Vegetables
Independence
Neat
Gravy

I am a Thanksgiving Turkey...

I live on a farm with my other turkey friends. It was Thanksgiving night and they wanted a turkey for dinner. It so happened that I was the best and fattest turkey. Oh, that got me scared because he might choose me for his dinner!! I told my friends that I was going to be dinner. They looked at me like someone shot them.

We started to huddle to make a plan. The plan was great, but it didn't work!

by Kara McDade

by Rebecca Wing

by Anthony Mazza

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu

Monday, December 7th: Steamed frankfort in roll, oven baked beans, buttered mixed vegetables, mustard, relish, catsup, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday, December 8th: Cheese pizza, tossed garden salad with spinach greens and dressing, fruit cup, or jello with topping, milk.

Wednesday, December 9th: Hamburg in roll, cheese fingers, mustard, relish, catsup, buttered green beans, fruit cup, or pistachio pudding with topping, milk.

Thursday, December 10th: Rotini macaroni with meat sauce, creamy cole slaw, Italian bread and butter, applesauce or cherry crisp, milk.

Friday, December 11th: Chicken noodle soup, grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, oven potato puffs, blueberry cake with vanilla icing, milk.

Agawam Junior High Sets Winter Concert December 9th

On Wednesday, December 9th, at 7:00 p.m., the Agawam Junior High String Orchestra, Seventh Grade Chorus, and Eighth/Ninth Grade Chorus will present their Winter Concert in the junior high auditorium.

The String Orchestra, under the direction of Dorothy Hegarty, will begin the show.

This year the orchestra will include members of the seventh grade, as well as from the eighth and ninth grades. The Seventh Grade Chorus will then present its portion of the concert, followed by the Eighth/Ninth Grade Chorus. Both choruses are under the direction of Susan C. Brown. A special listening exercise will be offered by the Seventh Grade Chorus, and the audience will also be able to participate with the singers later in the concert.

Admission of \$1 will be charged to adults and students not accompanied by an adult. Children with adults may enter free of charge. The orchestra and choruses look forward to entertaining you.

Middle School P.T.O. Slates Christmas Store Dec. 8th-10th

On December 8th, 9th, and 10th, Agawam Middle School students will be able to do their "Christmas Shopping." The PTO Christmas Store, sponsored annually by the organization, will be selling a wide variety of gifts from Santa's Secret Shop at a price range of 10 cents to \$6.95.

Jane Knodler and Dee Nacewicz, co-chairwomen for the event, along with their many volunteers, will assist the students with their purchases. Jane and Dee say, "It is not necessary to send students with a large amount of money as there is a good selection of gifts for under \$2. Students will not be limited to the number of purchases made."

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Granger 3rd Graders Promote Anti-Smoking

For the past three weeks Mary O'Keefe's and Janice DeFilipi's third grade classes at Granger School have been participating in an all-out campaign against smoking.

Every day a cigarette would be smoked, a total of one package, with a set of "smoking lungs." The visual impact of the nicotine stains was amazing. Daily the children watched the lungs grown browner and browner.

The campaign ended on November 19th, 1987 - The Great American Smoke-Out. This date coincided with Open House so the parents were invited to squeeze and smell the lungs. There was also a jar of 20 cigarette butts that the parents were encouraged to smell. Posters and no-smoking slogans that the children made were also displayed throughout the school. The children wore no-smoking pins and received booklets, pencils and crossword puzzles from the American Lung Association.

Kristin Trauschke—I learned that there is nicotine in cigarettes and that it can turn your lungs brown. I also learned that people smoking in a small room can make smoke get into your lungs.

Frank Gould—If someone asks you to have a cigarette—just say NO. You can get lung cancer from smoking.

Jeff Ogorzalek—I learned what one package of cigarettes can do to your lungs. Alf doesn't smoke.

Billy Roy—I do not want to smoke. I saw what it does to your lungs. Why spend lots of money for dirty lungs?

Chris Twarkins—I learned that if you smoke you could die. I am not going to smoke because I know what it does.

Tyler Van Tassell—I learned never to smoke

because I could end up in the hospital because my lungs will get very brown.

Ryan Baumann—I learned that smoking is bad for the lungs and I will never, ever smoke. I want white lungs instead of black.

Nick Dion—If you smoke your lungs will become brown or black. Please don't smoke.

Kristina Marano—I will never smoke because it could damage your lungs and turn them brown. Kissing someone that smokes is like kissing an ashtray.

Jared Chianciola—I learned what one package of cigarettes can do to your lungs. You can lose some brain power, too.

Sarah Garcia—Smoking makes your lungs turn black. They make you cough, too.

Heidi Reiprich—You can get lung disease if you smoke. Your lungs turn black.

Trevor Brown—Smoking is not cool. I will never smoke. You could get lung cancer.

Meghan Ward—I learned that your lungs get all brown and you smell.

Eddie Cecchi—I learned what one package of cigarettes does to your lungs. It's not pretty!

Steven Wheeler—I learned that people who smoke have yellow, brown or black lungs. I'll never smoke.

Laura Cincotta—Your lungs take in smoke and they can turn your lungs black.

Chris Bennow—Cigarettes are drugs.

Tom Melburne—Cigarettes can give you a shorter life.

Dionna Ivery—I learned a lot. I'll never smoke.

Nathan Newbrough—It is very bad for you to smoke.

Joseph Malanson—I learned never to smoke. If I don't smoke, my grandma will give me money and I'll buy a Lamborghini.



GRANGER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THIRD GRADERS, in the classes of Mary O'Keefe and Janice DeFilipi, have been participating in an all-out campaign against smoking. Student also sent to *The Advertiser News* some of their thoughts about smoking. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Annual Turkey Feast By Phelps Early Childhood Program



LORI LOOMIS AND HER DAUGHTER, Megan, pictured at the Phelps School Early Childhood Program II. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM II housed at Phelps School had a gala Thanksgiving celebration. Children and their families were invited for a Thanksgiving Feast. The children donned their handmade Pilgrim hats and Indian headdress in celebration of Thanksgiving. The children decorated the tables with handmade napkin holders and placemats. Principal William Miller said "grace" before the meal. The children sang a Thanksgiving song, telling their families what they were thankful for. Pictured above are Mrs. Megatulski, Courtney, Nicole, Mrs. Kibby, Darren, Mrs. Hogan, and Eric. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

For all the hometown news, townsfolk turn our pages every week - ADVERTISER NEWS

Perry Lane's Little Indians



ENJOYING A PRE-THANKSGIVING FEAST at the town's Perry Lane Nursery/Day Care Center are Brady Chianciola, Robbie Solitario, Marianne Page (director), Sarah Hamel, and Luke Dempsey. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Sports

0-0 Deadlock With Andover...

After 7 OT's, Brownie Gals Settle For Piece Of State Title

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Despite having the edge in play, the Agawam High School girls' soccer team had to settle for being Massachusetts "Co-champions" in Division I as they fought Andover High to a scoreless tie after 122 minutes of soccer in the state final, Wednesday, November 25th, at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

The game went into seven overtimes (five sudden deaths), and the final overtime period saw each team playing with only five players. Neither side could find the net, so according to Massachusetts Inter-scholastic Athletic Association rules (MIAA), which are suspect at best, the teams were declared co-champs.

Needless to say, it was a sour pill to swallow, especially for the Brownies, who did hold the territorial advantage.

"We drove out there to decide who the state champion would be," says coach Bill O'Brien. "The girls worked their butts off to get there, and they had to settle for a tie. I know it's better than nothing, but I feel as though we were the better team. It's unfortunate we had to play under such a ridiculous format."

The format O'Brien referred to was drafted by the MIAA. Simply, it doesn't make sense. Throughout sectional tournaments, overtimes and shootouts are used to decide winners. But for some unknown reason, no further play took place after seven overtime periods in the state final. Stupid? Yes!

"This is really unfair," said a disappointed Kelly Sullivan after the game. "There's no reason why we shouldn't be able to keep playing until someone scores. I know we're considered state champions, but it's just not the same."

Sophomore sweeper Cathy "The Enforcer" Scaggs notes, "It's unfair (the tie). And it's really hard to explain how I feel because I'm happy that we are state champs, but there's also an empty feeling because we have to share the title."

Perhaps Scaggs described the overall feeling of both the team and the Brownies fans best - most everyone was pleased with the title, but at the same time, there was a strange feeling in the air after the game - the empty feeling that suggested the locals had lost.

But they didn't lose - it's just they didn't win, either. Regardless, the Brownies are still considered the (co) state champs.

The 122-minute marathon started off at a pretty slow pace as Agawam was feeling out its opponent, as well as getting accustomed to the fast-paced artificial turf. The Brownies were able to get some practice time on turf at Springfield College's Benedum Field the day before - and the turf seems to fit their style of play -

speed.

Agawam's first chance came 10 minutes into the contest as a result of some fine passing. Fresh Brie Cosgrove got the ball to Beth Whittaker, who was about 40 yards out. Whittaker led a streaking Karen Patterson up the middle and the sophomore striker got off a 15-yard drive. It sailed wide (left).

A minute later, Sullivan launched a 20-yarder from her right wing side, which Whittaker also set-up. The drive caught the right side of the net. For the remainder of the half, the defenses took over and opportunities became scarce. Sullivan booted a few fine corner kicks into the box, but the balls were cleared after brief scrambles.

At halftime, O'Brien quipped, "We played pretty well in the first half, but now we're really going to bring it to them. I know we'll get some opportunities."

And the opportunities did come. The Brownies came out strong in the opening 15 minutes and dominated play. They looked hungry and were more aggressive. The defense had a mission - Andover would not score. This was the Agawam team that had won 19 of 20 coming in.

Three quick chances went astray for the locals. Only 1:20 in, Sullivan's corner kick came back out to her. She lofted a beautiful cross in front that Cosgrove wasn't able to boot home; 30 seconds later, Patterson's 18-yarder went wide (left); and a minute later, Whittaker made a nice steal and blasted a 16-yard shot that soared wide (left).

A few minutes later, Andover got a rare opportunity. Erin Lynch set-up teammate Kim Heseltine in front, and Heseltine got off a nice-header. Goalie Missy Danio was there to make the save.

After solid defense by both squads for the next 15 minutes or so, the Brownies began to assume a siege position again. And with 14 minutes remaining, the save of the game was made by Andover keeper Karen Delsarto. Patterson came in on a semi-breakaway and blasted a low screamer that was labeled for the left corner. But Delsarto made a spectacular save as she tipped it wide.

Two minutes later, Sullivan got off a nice cross, but Delsarto was able to deflect it over the head of Michelle Montesi, who was stationed in front about eight yards out.

Play was physical the rest of the way. The Brownie backline was keeping Andover from getting any chances (many offsides were whistled on Andover). Agawam's final chance to win came just as regulation time expired.

Patterson took a feed from Sullivan on the right side and she booted a 20-yard drive that Delsarto covered-up in goal. On to overtime.

The first six-minute period saw neither side have a clear-cut chance at ending the battle. Play was physical. On to overtime two.

Agawam controlled play, but was unable to find the net. The best chance came from Patterson, who accepted a pass from Sullivan. She couldn't get a good foot on a 15-yard shot and Delsarto covered. On to sudden death.

The locals had the edge in play in this six-minute session. Sullivan took a Tracey Sitek cross and booted the ball wide (right) from 20-yards out; and Patterson fired a 22-yarder from a Sullivan cross, but the save was made.

Sudden death two - all defense...Sudden death three - all defense...Sudden death four - each team was now reduced to seven players.

Here the best chance was turned-in by Andover - on a penalty kick. Andover had booted the ball into the box. As Danio came out to get it, the ball bounced high over her head. It deflected off the left goalpost and was just about into the net when fullback Alana Graham flew in and slapped the ball out of the net. Handball. Penalty kick.

Andover's Heseltine took the kick - and wow, did she ever take it. She launched the ball over the net as the obvious pressure-factor got the better of her. The Brownies had new life as their fans rejoiced in the last opportunity by Andover.

Sudden death five - each team was down to five players. The Brownies had Sullivan, Patterson, Graham, Scaggs (Cathy) on the field (Danio in goal). With so much field to work with and not enough mates on the field, neither side created much offense. But the locals did have one chance.

Graham got the ball up to Sullivan on the right wing. Sullivan took a few dribbles in and then unloaded a drive from 20-yards out that Delsarto seemed to get her fingertips on. The ball screamed over the crossbar. A big hush over the Brownie fans told the story - Agawam would have to settle for the co-championship. And they did as the final whistle blew a few seconds later.

FINAL GAME NOTES: Agawam finished with a 21-12 advantage in shots. Andover finished 18-3-3, while the Brownies were 19-1-1...Halfback Missy Brown was forced to leave two minutes into the second half with a knee injury...Fresh Katie Burns replaced Brown and left in the second sudden death with a right ankle injury...Graham and Scaggs (Jennifer) received yellow cards in the second sudden death period...The contest was one of the more physical battles of the year...The Brownies were supported well by fans as four buses (and many cars) made the drive...

Scaggs Sisters Prove Fearsome Year-Round Tandem In AHS Girls' Sports

Never in the history of Agawam High School has there been a pair of twin sisters that can dominate a team sport the way two current AHS athletes can. They played important roles in helping the AHS girls soccer team capture both the Western Mass. and State Division I soccer titles this past fall season. And, amazingly, they can only get better.

Their names? Cathy & Jennifer Scaggs.

Just sophomores, the Scaggs sisters were a force for the Brownies this season. In virtually every game they played in, each stood out - Cathy from her sweeper position, and Jennifer from her left halfback spot. Both play the game only one way - all out.

"They are two of the most aggressive players I've ever had as a coach," quips Agawam girls' soccer coach Bill O'Brien. "Both are relentless, and they made a big difference for us this season."

Quite simply, they just don't come any tougher than these twin sisters, who ironically never heard of soccer until they moved to Agawam eight years ago. Their story is a unique one, but by no means is it over yet.

Born in West Virginia, the girls were adopted by Buddy & Diane Scaggs when they were five days-old. They lived in West Virginia for two years, and after moving to Florida for a year, the family moved to Dayton, Ohio. After a five-year stay there, the family packed up and came to Agawam in 1979.

The girls were eight years-old now, and their athletic talents soon began to shine brightly. Fortunately for



CATHY SCAGGS
Sweeper

Agawam, their moving days were over. Buddy, Diane, Sarah (who was also adopted and is one year older than the twins), Cathy, and Jennifer were here to stay.

Back in Ohio, the girls were extremely good swimmers, and there are all sorts of ribbons and trophies to prove it. But in those days, soccer was unknown to them, until the move East, of course.

Says Cathy, who happens to be four minutes older than Jennifer, "We never knew anything about soccer until we moved here. I remember when I found out what it was - to play a game that you couldn't use your hands seemed ridiculous."

Little did they know that a few years later soccer would become a sport the two would dominate. Both kept improving rapidly, and soon they were stars at any level they played. But it took hard work and long hours - something their father had stressed.

"I always told them never to quit something once you've started," recalls Buddy. "They never gave up, and I'm extremely proud of them for that."

Both Cathy and Jennifer started playing soccer and basketball at age eight. As they got older, they participated in the Pioneer Valley Soccer League, as well as the Suburban League in hoop. Their Suburban team (grades seven and eight), which was coached by Bob Hersey, won an amazing 53 games in a row in two seasons, including two league titles.

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The next year, as freshmen, the girls really started to make some noise in Western Mass. in high school sports. Bath made the varsity soccer team. Unfortunately, Cathy sprained her ankle and was forced to miss most of the year. Jennifer went on to have a fine season as a halfback, and she was named to the All-League team.

In basketball, the twin terrors faired very well. Cathy was a starting forward-guard on the varsity team under coach Lou Conte, and she had one of the finest freshman seasons ever by an Agawam player. Jennifer, who seems to have an eye for the Mets' Ron Darling, was utilized by both the varsity and junior varsity teams.

In the spring, Cathy was a force on the track team as she more than held her own in the 440 dash and the triple jump. She also ran a leg on the mile relay team. Jennifer participated on the junior varsity softball team as a third baseman, and she carried a pretty big stick to the plate.

Not a bad year for the girls as freshmen athletes by any stretch of the imagination!



JENNIFER SCAGGS
left halfback

This leads up to this past summer, when the girls qualified to participate in the Bay State Games. The Games, held in July for three days, brings together the best athletes from all over the state. With that said, you know the Scaggs sisters belonged there.

Cathy was a force on the winning basketball team, which won the gold medal. Jennifer played on the silver medal-winning soccer team, along with two other AHS soccer stars, Karen Patterson and Michele Urbinati. The Games were held on the campuses of Boston College (Doug Flutie's old turf, right Jenn?), Boston University, Harvard, and UMass of Boston.

This brings us to this past fall season, and all the girls did was help the AHS girls' soccer team take both the WM and State titles (co-champs in state). Cathy was forced to miss the final four regular season games with a broken nose, which she suffered in gymn class by diving after a football (she never stops hustling).

Jennifer missed two games this fall as the result of a reoccurring back problem which started her freshman year. Both girls were ready for the post-season and that was good news for the Brownies.

"No way was I missing the tournament," says Cathy, who wore a protective mask that made her look like something out of a Star Wars movie.

The girls had less than a week to rest up for basketball season. Both will undoubtedly be big parts of the orange and brown on the courts this year. Another season of doing what they do best—playing sports.

Says Mrs. Scaggs, "What's nice to see is that although the girls have excelled in sports most of their lives, their grades have always been terrific. You know, Buddy and I always knew they would do well at anything they tried."

Make that very well. The girls are super athletes, good students, and two extremely nice young women, who must turn heads wherever they go with their good looks. They also have a house full of awards and trophies that would rival the high school display.

Cathy & Jennifer Scaggs, who will be turning "Sweet Sixteen," Friday, December 4th, are a pair of twin sisters that AHS has never had before when it comes to athletic achievement....and probably never will again.

AHS Girls' Soccer Got Off To Right Foot In Training Camp

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

It all started three months ago - at tryouts for the Agawam High girls' soccer team. What would go on to become the best female soccer team ever at the school (best girls team ever in any sport at AHS) was gathered around Harmon Smith Field. Coach Bill O'Brien reviewed this group of athletes and smiled.

"I knew back then that this team could go as far as it wanted," recalls O'Brien. "There wasn't a weakness to be found. They were a special group and they were hungry to win. My only worry was that they might lose their killer instinct over the long season."

Coaches everywhere dream to be in the position that O'Brien found himself at the start of the campaign in September - the Brownies were a potential powerhouse with, as O'Brien noted, not a weakness to be found. He had 20 players who could play (well). The depth was superior. But was anyone even thinking about reaching the state championship game when camp broke in late August?

"Not at all," says senior Kelly Sullivan. "I knew we had an excellent team, but I was just thinking about how nice it would be to win the Western Mass. title. Becoming state champs never crossed my mind."

The season began with a test vs. a tough Cathedral team - always a problem for AHS. The locals responded with a 2-0 victory. Next came a hardfought, 2-1 win over stubborn West Springfield. Both wins came on enemy turf, and the girls used these opening two victories to ride the wave of success the rest of the year.

The next two games, at Harmon Smith Field, saw the Brownies post 8-0 (Minnechaug) and 4-1 (Ludlow (defending Division I WM champs) victories - the word was out that the Brownies had some of the best talent around. Opponents braced themselves as AHS kept winning-winning-winning.

Seven more victories had the Brownies at a shining 11-0 well into October. Next up was a meeting with Cathedral at home, and the Panthers came to town to stop the winning streak that had surprised all in WM. Everyone was asking - "Can Agawam be beat?"

Happy "SWEET SIXTEENTH" Cathy & Jennifer

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Cathedral thought so - and they gave AHS perhaps its best battle to date. But the locals rose to the occasion and pulled-out a 2-1 victory (under heavy pressure to the end). 12-0. Another one bites the dust. Just four games left to go undefeated.

O'Brien's troops duked-out a 3-1 victory over West Side at Harmon Smith Field. 13-0. Next up was Minnechaug. Easy. 3-0. 14-0.

The set up a meeting vs. Ludlow, the defending champs, on their home turf. If the Brownies were to fall, this would be the place. It was. The Lions were riding an emotional rocket and they took a 2-1 win. The Brownies had their chances, but the day belonged to Ludlow.

"I kind of sensed that someone would eventually get us," remembers O'Brien. "It's so hard to keep up the intensity and hunger over a 16-game schedule. The girls really had an incredible regular season, however."

Now it was on to the post-season with the school's first Fielding Division title under its belts. The Brownies were seeded number one in the WM Tournament. They were clearly the team to beat. Sophomore sweeper Cathy Scaggs recalls that many outside of town following girls' soccer didn't think AHS would cut it in the tourney. She personally wanted to make those doubters eat their words. What's more, losing to Ludlow was still in her mind. That loss was a bitter pill to swallow.

"I wanted to prove to everyone that we were the best," says Scaggs, who wore a protective mask to guard a broken nose (throughout the tournament). I also remembered how I felt when Ludlow beat us. I wasn't able to play and I felt so bad. Believe me, losing leaves a bad taste in your mouth, especially on this team."

But the motivation was there for AHS.

In the quarterfinals, Agawam hosted Westfield.

They dominated. It was a shooting gallery out there, but the locals could only post a deceptive, 2-0 victory. Sullivan and Brie Cosgrove netted the goals. On to the semifinals.

Here, the locals had to get by Wahconah Regional, the defending Division II State Champs in 1986. They were no match for a powerhouse Division I school. AHS posted an easy, 5-1 victory. Scoring were Cosgrove, Beth Whittaker, Carrie Piccoli, Debbie Albano, and Paula Fieldstad (that's right - the goalie who played on the field in the second half). On to the title game.

The Brownies were now facing a red-hot West Side team, the same squad who had fallen twice to AHS in the regular season. It was a perfect setting - cross-river rivals battling for the WM title under the lights at Szot Park. Under balmy conditions, the locals didn't let a huge gathering of orange and brown followers down.

After trading two first-half goals each (Cosgrove and Karen Patterson scoring), the Brownies played their finest second half of the season, and what a perfect time for it. Sullivan netted the game-winner six minutes into the half to put the locals' crowd into a frenzy, and Patterson sealed it with 19 minutes left to secure the win.

West Side was like a prize fighter pinned against the ropes by a much better opponent. Their defense took a battering in those second 45 minutes as virtually the entire half was in that end of the field.

It was the second WM title for the Brownie gals in six years, but this was the first time the AHS girls would participate in the state tournament (in 1982, Proposition 2 1/2 cancelled any play beyond WM).

Agawam took its 18-1 record up against Marlboro High in the state semifinals - in Marlboro's hometown, on their hometown field. The Brownies left with the most exciting girls' soccer victory ever at the school. A second half tally by Sullivan tied it at 1-1 and it was on to overtime. After four overtime sessions, Patterson ended the contest with a goal that was no doubt at all. On to the state finals.

Here, the locals had to face Andover High at Worcester Polytechnic Institute on Thanksgiving Eve. It was a defensive struggle all the way, although the Brownies definitely carried the better of the play. After 122 minutes of soccer, neither side scored. 0-0. The rules said the two teams are co-state champions. C'est la vie.

It was Agawam's first state team title in any sport - ever. Although AHS didn't win the crown outright, they were the premiere team in the state, based on all competition they faced.

The gals who comprised this squad were KELLY SULLIVAN, KELLY ERSKINE, KELLIE WRIGHT, MARLO MONTESSI, seniors; MICHELLE URBINATI, BETH WHITTAKER, TRACEY SITEK, MISSY DESROSIERS, PAULA FIELDSTAD, MISSY DANIO, MICHELLE FITZGERALD, juniors; CATHY SCAGGS, JENNIFER SCAGGS, KAREN PATTERSON, ALANA GRAHAM, MISSY BROWN, DEBBIE ALBANO, sophomores; BRIE COSGROVE, KATIE BURNS, CARRIE PICCOLI, KRISTEN WING, freshman.

Hats off to all the gals and coaches Bill O'Brien and Missy Sullivan for having the best girls' soccer season in the school's history.

FINISHING NOTES: The Brownies outscored their opponents by a 70-11 margin, while finishing 19-1-1. Sullivan and Patterson, who finished 1-2 in Fielding Division scoring, ended the year with 31 and 25 points, respectively...Sullivan also left the team as the school's all-time leading scorer with 69 points...Other top scorers include Beth Whittaker (14), Desrosiers (12), Cosgrove (8), and Jennifer Scaggs (7)...Leading scorers in the tournament were Sullivan (3 goals/2 assists), Cosgrove (3 goals/2 assists), Patterson (3 goals/1 assist)...Look for many of the girls to nab All-Western Mass. selections...The team would like to thank ballgirls Kim Trudel, Laura Bielitz, Silvana Manes, and Amy LaPlante for a job well done all season...Last note to O'Brien, WAS THAT \$50 SPEEDING TICKET WORTH IT?

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Wooley, Cascio Lead Ground Assault...

AHS Blasts West Side, 48-6

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Sophomore tailback Jason Wooley led a strong Brownie running attack as he rushed for 175 yards and three touchdowns to lead Agawam High to an easy, 48-6 victory over ancient rival West Springfield on Thanksgiving morning at wet and miserable Harmon Smith Field.

The win, before about 3,500 cold and umbrella-protected fans, gave the Brownies an 8-1-1 record, equaling the school's best showing since 1981 (8-1-1). AHS used an effective ground game as they picked-up 408 yards rushing, including an 8.0 average per carry. While the backs did have fine games, the offensive line should be credited for opening huge holes in the over-matched West Side defense.

"This was a nice way to end the season," noted coach Joe Modzelewski. "We knew West Side was a weak team and we just went out there and did what we had to do. There were many excellent individual efforts in this game. I was happy that the seniors were able to get one more win."

The AHS running game was 95 percent of the offense. Junior quarterback John Serra threw only six passes in the rain. The locals had six backs with 20 yards or more to simply devastate the Terriers defense. It was apparent from the start that the visitors didn't have a prayer.

The Brownies jumped to a 29-0 halftime lead and eventually led, 48-0, before West Side was able to avoid being whitewashed with a touchdown in the final minutes.

West Side was saddled with many lap-sided losses this year, as well as a very small team (at times as few as 16-18 players). They deserved credit for showing against such insurmountable odds.

"This was a very satisfying win for us," said senior linebacker Pete Vecchiarelli afterwards. "We had such a good season. I really can't believe it's finally over."

The orange and brown gridmen got off to a fast start on offense, but came up empty on their first series. Wooley, who needed 63 yards to reach the 1,000-yard plateau on the season, got 64 on his first three carries.

After West Side took over on their own 1-yard line on Wooley's fumble, the Brownie defensive line smothered Terrier rusher Todd Holloway and recorded a safety. 2-0.

With a little over a minute left in the opening quarter, the locals took an 8-0 lead. After taking over on their own 35, the Brownies began a seven-play, 65-yard march to find paydirt.

Wooley picked-up 7 yards and then senior Tom Cascio had two runs good for 30 yards to move into Terrier territory. Wooley scampered for another 20 to the 10, and two plays later, the sophomore sensation scored from 8-yards out for his first touchdown of the day.

On the third play of the second quarter, Vecchiarelli intercepted a pass and returned it 26 yards to the West

Side 36. This set Agawam's second trip to the endzone. Wooley darted for 15 yards, and after Cascio had 5 more, Wooley bolted for six points from 15 yards out for his second TD of the morning.

On the ensuing kickoff, Cascio, nicknamed "Captain Crash" for his wicked-collisions on the special teams, stripped the ball from a West Side returner and recovered the fumble on the 14. Three plays later, it was 22-0. Serra avoided some heavy pressure, rolled

left, and found senior tightend Jeff Reece for an 11-yard strike 8:54 left in the half.

The Brownies final touchdown of the half came with only 1:13 remaining. After recovering a fumble on the West Side 35, the home folks used only two plays to go up 29-0. Senior Jim Lockwood picked-up 17 yards on the ground, and then Cascio ran around the right side for a 17-yard touchdown to complete first half scoring.

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DESPITE BEING
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tacklers, senior Tom
Cascio (14) still
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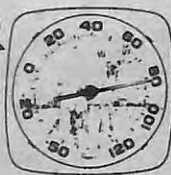
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With senior Mike DiLullo now at quarterback, the locals went up, 35-0, midway through the third quarter. Senior Mike Bonavita intercepted a pass and rumbled and rambled 38 yards to the West Side 38. After a few runs, Wooley ended his season on a 9-yard TD run, his 14th.

Before the quarter's end, the locals added another score. With sophomore Shaun Smith now at quarterback, the Brownies took advantage of another West Side turnover on the 5. Three plays later, senior Jack Patterson got his first TD of the year with a 1-yard plunge. 41-0 with another quarter left.

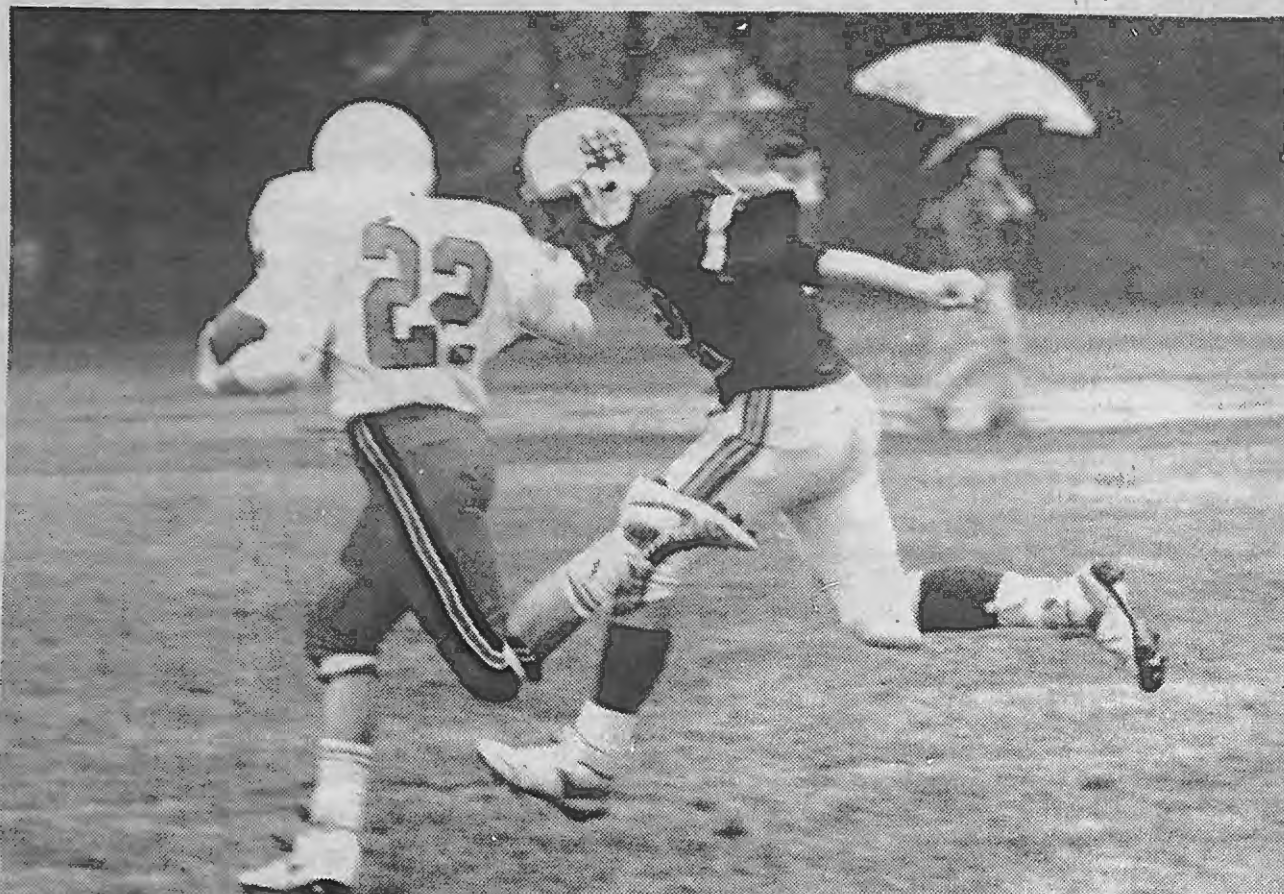
In the final 12 minutes, both teams had cleared the bench (which wasn't many for West Side). Each team added one TD to finish the game and the season.

For the Brownies, sophomore Chris Jarvis found senior Alan Boucher in the endzone for a 7-yard scoring play on fourth down with exactly five minutes left. That made it 48-0, one of the worst beatings West Side has taken in many years by AHS.

With 1:14 left, West Side avoided the shutout. They recovered a fumble on Agawam's 27. Four plays later, Mike Colbert bulled in from 3-yards out. A two-point pass failed, so the final was 48-6. The final score accurately reflected the type of season it was for both squads.

TURKEY DAY NOTES: West Side finished a dismal 0-10. Agawam has now won five straight Thanksgiving Day games over West Side, and the locals hold an overall 43-16-3 advantage...The rivalry is the third oldest in Western Mass. history. It started in 1924.

Cascio, who had one of his finest all-around games of the year, ended with 96 yards/12 carries... Junior Mike Cleavall had 50 yards on only 4 carries; Patterson had 26 yards on 4 carries, Ken Blews (25 on 3), and Lockwood (24 on 2). Leading tacklers were Vecchiarelli, Lockwood, Mazza, Reece, and Peterson with five each...Vecchiarelli, Lockwood, and Bonavita had interceptions...Reece had a sack in the game... Serra was only 1-6 in the air...After the Terriers scored, Smith (Shaun) returned the kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown, but it was called back due to a penalty...Agawam had a 23-6 advantage in first downs...Wooley's 100-yard game was his fifth and third straight...

Wooley Races For 1,000th Yard

IT TOOK SOPHOMORE TAILBACK JASON WOOLEY (22) of the Agawam High football Brownies only three carries to surpass the 1,000-yard mark for the 1987 grid campaign in the Thanksgiving Day game vs. West Springfield. Wooley scored three touchdowns, raced for 175 yards in about a half of playing time, and led the Brownies to a 48-6 rout of their archrivals at rainy, damp, and cold Harmon Smith Field before about 3,500 fans. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Italian Sporting Club Returns Same Officers

In a pre-Thanksgiving meeting of the Italian Sporting Club, a vote of confidence was given to the present officers of the club by returning them to office for 1988. Returning as president will be Terry Letellier. Vice-president is John Conte, while Joe Valenti is the secretary and Arnaldo Maligutti is the financial secretary. Back as treasurer is Joe Conte, Jr.

The meeting also included acknowledging the club's senior members by presenting several life memberships to those over 65 years-old. Several turkeys were also given to members who were present at this meeting.

The membership of the club also voted to again support the Camp Rainbow Special Needs Olympics for the children of Agawam. This has been an annual project for the club.

The club has been undergoing an extensive refurbishing project, including the kitchen and the rental hall, along with exterior improvements to the front of the building, which is located on Cooper Street. There is now a handicap ramp for access to the building, as well as new shrubs.

The club's next meeting will be Tuesday, December 22nd, at 4:00 p.m. This meeting will also feature a free turkey raffle for members present, as well as voting for the new Board of Directors.

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The Agawam "Over 30" Basketball League will begin their practice sessions and forming their teams Sunday, December 6th, 13th, and 20th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at the Agawam High School.

All interested players age 30 and over should attend. Games will begin in January. For further information, contact Peter Hanson, 786-2355.

Open Gym For Adults

The Agawam High School Gym will be open for all adults who would like to play basketball and exercise Monday, December 7th, 14th, and 21st, from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. There is a charge of \$2 per person per session that will be collected at the door.

1988 Miss Agawam Beauty Pageant

After the absence of a pageant for several years, the Recreation Department will sponsor the all new "Miss Agawam" contest. The program will be directed and produced by Lori Andruss-Boyle of the Miss International Beauty Queen Association.

The event will take place Saturday, December 5th, at 7:30 p.m., in the Agawam High School auditorium. Judges for the contest will be members of the International Beauty Queen Association.

There will be a charge of \$2 at the door; children 12 and under are free. Come out and support your favorite candidate.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please call Jack Devine at his home, 789-0053. If Jack is out, please leave a message

AHS Varsity Cheerleaders Do Well At NECCA

Starting off with an outstanding football rally last Wednesday followed by a winning football game on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, the Agawam High School Varsity Cheerleaders went on to represent Agawam and Western Massachusetts at the NECCA State Championship in Worcester last weekend.

With a formal banquet at the Marriott Friday evening and competition early Saturday morning, the girls received a first place trophy in Division II Western Mass, and qualified for the State Finals Sunday, where they placed fifth. Great job girls! Congratulations!

Along with the girls a special thanks to Gina Falletti,

their coach, and her assistant Stacie Fancy, for their time and effort.

The town can be proud of the spirit, hard work, and performance demonstrated this week by these girls. Girls participating in the competition were: **JUNIORS, Amy Barber, Carolyn Belniak, Karen Blair, Kristen Connor, Kim Hebert, Tammie Orlando; SOPHOMORES, Rachel Hyland, Megan McDade, Jennifer Robinson, and Karen Stuart.** Also attending was **Becky Eaton**, alternate.

We now look forward to the upcoming basketball season and the many competitions that are to follow. We wish them well!

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Agawam Soccer Assn. Under 10 Champs



CHAMPIONS OF THE Agawam Soccer Association's Under 10 boys' league are the **Beacons**, coached by Ron Scherban (left) and Howie Murphy. Team members are, back row, from left -Matt Frank, Jamie Scherban, David Murphy, Nick Dion, Mark Hasbruck, David Rose, and Matt Bulmer. Front row - Christian DeBonville, Eric Belknap, Neal Miner, Steve Gallant, David Kellogg, Bill Bellico, and Mark Tassone. Missing: Joe Yacteen.



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St. Louis Easily Takes Round I Tri-Parish Title

St. Louis became the Round One champions of the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League at the Agawam Bowl last week. Big deal! St. Lou was so far out in front of the rest of the pack that this is no great revelation at all. St. Lou took a huge 34½ wins for Round One. Their closest rivals were Holy Cross (27 wins), Georgetown (26 wins), and Fordham (26 wins).

St. Lou rolled over and took the week off when Holy Cross grabbed three wins in week 11. HC did finish off a solid Round One. HC winners were CAROLINE COELLN (270) and RON PROVOST (309). St. Lou winners were TOM BURR (286) and captain DEBBIE POIRIER, who really had a night off (284). She barely defeated HC captain GEORGE LANE (281), who was lucky that Debbie was way off. If she was on a 330-350 roll, the outcome of the match would have been much different.

Still, HC felt afterwards they could be in a strong position to seriously challenge for the Round Two championship, which is now underway.

Georgetown seems to be returning to good form with a good round of 26 wins (third place). They sent St. Anselm packing (9th place-19 wins). G-Town winners were PAUL LAGODITZ (272), CHERYL PRZESZLO (296), and Captain AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO. Al had enough firepower (319) to whip poor VI MASSOIA (278). Vi is hoping to find that magic that brought St. A's to the top of the ladder several years ago.

Fordham (4th place) split with last year's Grand Champions, Loyola (6th place-23½ wins), two wins each. Fordham winners were BOB PICKETT (270) and substitute ZEKE SICARD (277). But Loyola fought back when JEAN BUONICONTI rolled a 278 to leave RENEE JURY in the dust (263-last year Renee averaged 102-what happened???). Also, Loyola Captain STEVE ROVITHIS finished the round with a huge 356, and totally laid the wood to outmatched ANN O'CONNELL, who had a good night of 305. Rovithis finished second in the Men's Division AAA rolling behind "The Fearsome One" (107.6-105.20).

Watch-out for Loyola - they may return to the top in Round Two.

Notre Dame (5th place-24½ wins) finished Round One with a flurry by destroying St. Mary (last place-13 wins). ND winners were TERRY CERPOVICZ (298), ESTHER DEPALO (290), and substitute Big-Bad BOB BY MOCCIO, the former BC captain who was filling-in for JOHN RESCIGNO. Bobby showed he's still got it by firing a 350 at overmatched FRED MORASSI, who was off with a 297. The lone St. Mary's winner was PEG TASSINARI (278). It was a rather sad round for St. Mary's as they replaced St. Michael as the perennial cellar-dweller.

St. Michael made sure it stayed out of the cellar by taking three wins from Villanova (7th place-20½ wins). Villanova was a playoff team last year, but is floundering about in 1987-88. St. Mike's finished in 10th place with 17 wins.

St. Mike's winners were VENETTA SNYDER (276), JANICE MOCCIO (278), JOE RESCIGNO (277), and captain MIKE O'CONNELL (304). O'Connell was just glad to be out of last place for a change, and is hoping his team can build on its big victory over Villanova.

And what of the Lordly Barber, you say? He was in never, never land when he fired a huge 265 in a 12-pin loss to Joe Rescigno. Our famous Lordly Barber of course, is FRANK RESCIGNO, that maker of great-looking hair at Collegian Court in Feeding Hills. The Lordly Barber is getting married next October and it's obvious that cupid's arrow is firmly lodged in his bowling hand.

Boston College (8th place-20 wins) finished a rather miserable round for them as the bye team. They could only muster two wins. The only BC rollers to score over their average were JIM BURLINGHAM (272) and new captain LARRY VIENS (309).

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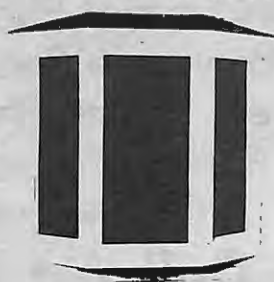


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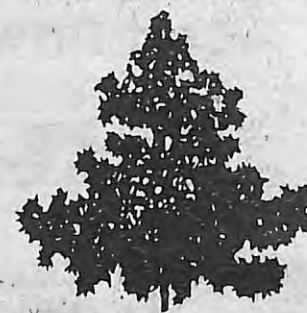
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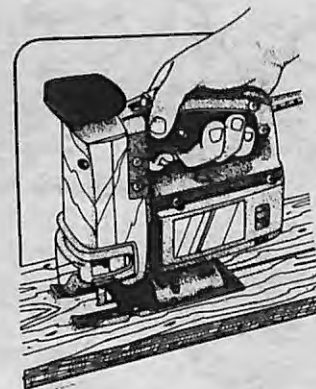
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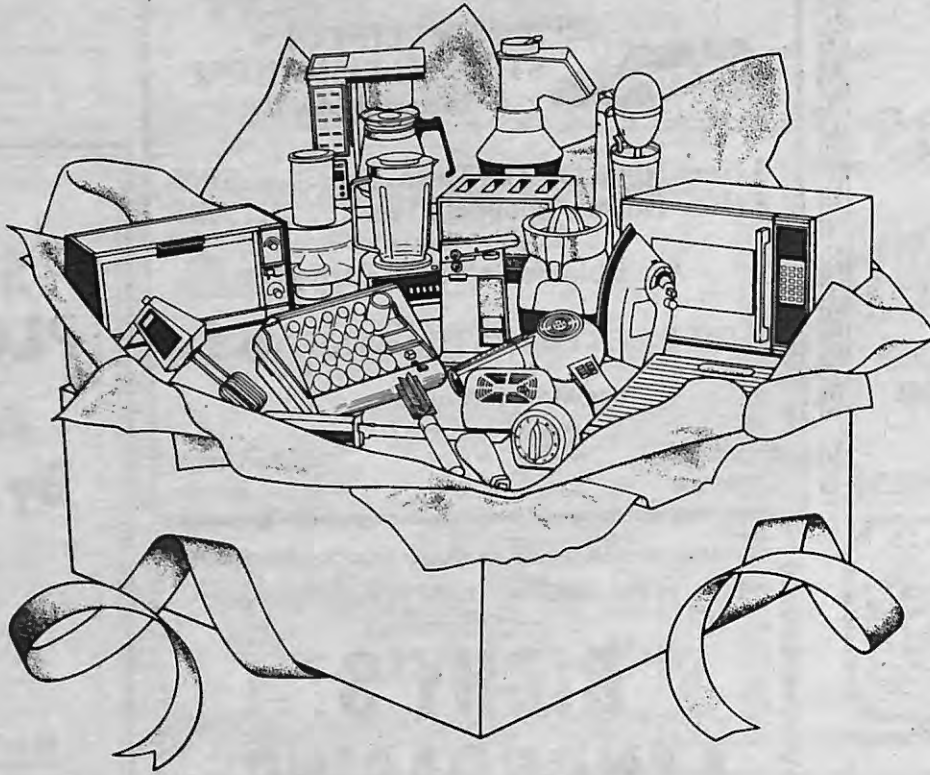
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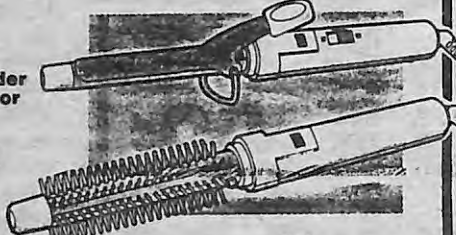
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